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00:00:05,330 --> 00:00:03,100
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00:00:06,900 --> 00:00:05,340
[Music]

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00:00:13,200 --> 00:00:06,910
[Laughter]

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00:00:27,950 --> 00:00:24,470
welcome back to another episode of

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00:00:30,710 --> 00:00:27,960
liminal frames I'm your host Nathan and

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00:00:34,190 --> 00:00:30,720
I'm joined by my co-host Darren EXO

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00:00:36,590 --> 00:00:34,200
academian Tonight Darren I think we're

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00:00:38,870 --> 00:00:36,600
gonna get a little bit strange

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00:00:41,350 --> 00:00:38,880
we are maybe a little bit highly strange

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00:00:44,990 --> 00:00:41,360
in fact it's really strange

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00:00:48,529 --> 00:00:45,000
exactly yes tonight we're talking about

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00:00:53,450 --> 00:00:48,539

high strangeness uh a term that is used

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00:00:55,850 --> 00:00:53,460

frequently in our circles and

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00:00:59,090 --> 00:00:55,860

maybe not necessarily with a great

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00:01:01,970 --> 00:00:59,100

degree of uh clarity

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00:01:04,490 --> 00:01:01,980

or consensus and so we thought it might

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00:01:06,890 --> 00:01:04,500

be good to focus a little attention on

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00:01:08,090 --> 00:01:06,900

exactly what constitutes High

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00:01:11,390 --> 00:01:08,100

strangeness

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00:01:15,609 --> 00:01:11,400

why it's important uh what might be some

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00:01:19,550 --> 00:01:15,619

examples of this within not only

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00:01:22,550 --> 00:01:19,560

ufological circles but the Paranormal

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00:01:25,670 --> 00:01:22,560

and then I think land on what high

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00:01:28,910 --> 00:01:25,680

strangeness really kind of means for

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00:01:31,130 --> 00:01:28,920

reality and and uh

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00:01:32,450 --> 00:01:31,140

the way in which we look at the world so

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why don't we start off with the

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definition

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00:01:39,289 --> 00:01:36,600

that you provided I'll I'll read it for

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00:01:42,289 --> 00:01:39,299

for everyone so we're going to Define

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00:01:47,210 --> 00:01:42,299

High strangeness as

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00:01:49,310 --> 00:01:47,220

a quality of being peculiar bizarre

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00:01:51,950 --> 00:01:49,320

utterly absurd

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00:01:56,630 --> 00:01:51,960

and I love that it's uh it's got this

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00:01:58,789 --> 00:01:56,640

ramping up quality to it uh

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00:02:02,870 --> 00:01:58,799

and does Point definitely towards the

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Oddity of it all so what does it mean to

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00:02:06,050 --> 00:02:04,200
you Darren when you when you think about

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00:02:08,570 --> 00:02:06,060
high strangeness and and that definition

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00:02:12,170 --> 00:02:08,580
of particular and and the importance of

42
00:02:14,449 --> 00:02:12,180
this to to our our topic of Interest

43
00:02:16,790 --> 00:02:14,459
the first thing that occurs to me when I

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00:02:17,869 --> 00:02:16,800
even listen to that definition that we

45
00:02:20,990 --> 00:02:17,879
came across

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00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:21,000
is that it's qualitative in nature right

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00:02:26,930 --> 00:02:24,000
and so much of uh our modern Western

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00:02:30,170 --> 00:02:26,940
Civilization is about uh quantity rather

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00:02:32,990 --> 00:02:30,180
than quality and qualitative experience

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00:02:35,210 --> 00:02:33,000
has kind of been relegated to subjective

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00:02:36,770 --> 00:02:35,220
mushy stuff that uh doesn't really count

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00:02:38,630 --> 00:02:36,780
and doesn't really matter

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00:02:40,790 --> 00:02:38,640
that's one of the reasons I think why

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00:02:43,309 --> 00:02:40,800
historically the high strangeness that

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00:02:46,330 --> 00:02:43,319
is so Central to this phenomenon has

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00:02:48,949 --> 00:02:46,340
been discarded or suppressed or

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00:02:50,690 --> 00:02:48,959
underrepresented in terms of data that

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00:02:52,369 --> 00:02:50,700
we need to really wrestle with in terms

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00:02:55,309 --> 00:02:52,379
of what you just said in terms of what

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00:02:58,190 --> 00:02:55,319
it means for reality itself right

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00:03:00,650 --> 00:02:58,200
um these can't be one-off experiences if

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00:03:04,309 --> 00:03:00,660
this experience of bizarreness and

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00:03:06,170 --> 00:03:04,319

absurdity even is happening it's saying

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00:03:08,750 --> 00:03:06,180

something uh

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00:03:10,910 --> 00:03:08,760

deeply significant about the nature of

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00:03:13,970 --> 00:03:10,920

reality at least I'm convinced that's

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00:03:16,130 --> 00:03:13,980

the case I think most people that have

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00:03:18,949 --> 00:03:16,140

really done their research recognize

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00:03:21,050 --> 00:03:18,959

that too I remember Peter lavenda in his

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00:03:23,809 --> 00:03:21,060

interview with our friend James iandoli

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00:03:26,330 --> 00:03:23,819

on engaging the phenomenon said hi

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00:03:28,729 --> 00:03:26,340

strangeness is a feature not a bug with

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00:03:33,050 --> 00:03:28,739

this phenomenon it's Central in other

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words and to ignore it uh is to miss the

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00:03:37,369 --> 00:03:35,459

point of the Endeavor it's as Central as

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00:03:41,390 --> 00:03:37,379
the Consciousness component in many ways

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00:03:42,050 --> 00:03:41,400
I think so I think but all those things

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00:03:43,789 --> 00:03:42,060
um

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00:03:46,670 --> 00:03:43,799
but I think for people like you and I

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00:03:48,470 --> 00:03:46,680
the way we're wired uh we always go to

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00:03:50,330 --> 00:03:48,480
the deepest level possible so we start

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00:03:52,850 --> 00:03:50,340
thinking what does this mean for reality

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00:03:55,449 --> 00:03:52,860
that's the most interesting question for

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00:03:58,910 --> 00:03:55,459
me when I think about this

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00:04:01,009 --> 00:03:58,920
and I've always been fascinated uh

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00:04:03,890 --> 00:04:01,019
by The Works of Jacques valet for

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00:04:06,229 --> 00:04:03,900
example who wasn't

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00:04:08,869 --> 00:04:06,239

really afraid at looking at all of the

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data elements of the experience

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00:04:13,250 --> 00:04:12,180

and he didn't seem to be quick to

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00:04:15,170 --> 00:04:13,260

discard

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as well this

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this doesn't seem related at all to flag

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saucers or what have you so we're just

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not going to include the strange uh

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00:04:27,890 --> 00:04:25,560

dreams or other events that may have

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00:04:30,890 --> 00:04:27,900

occurred around this sighting

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00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:30,900

uh but it does seem like we are entering

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into a time in which

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00:04:38,629 --> 00:04:36,000

High strangeness is kind of becoming in

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00:04:41,450 --> 00:04:38,639
Vogue uh to at least to start looking at

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00:04:43,550 --> 00:04:41,460
that right I can remember as a younger

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00:04:45,469 --> 00:04:43,560
person thinking about UFOs and really

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00:04:48,230 --> 00:04:45,479
only thinking about it in a very

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00:04:49,790 --> 00:04:48,240
one-dimensional way

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00:04:53,090 --> 00:04:49,800
um you know through the lens of

107
00:04:56,330 --> 00:04:53,100
Hollywood or the Roswell incident

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00:04:58,210 --> 00:04:56,340
never even can remotely considering that

109
00:05:01,550 --> 00:04:58,220
there were other

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00:05:04,490 --> 00:05:01,560
strange qualities of the experience that

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00:05:06,530 --> 00:05:04,500
that went along with those stories uh

112
00:05:07,790 --> 00:05:06,540
just being oblivious to them and that's

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00:05:10,129 --> 00:05:07,800

in part because the narratives

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00:05:13,189 --> 00:05:10,139

themselves didn't include them

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00:05:16,310 --> 00:05:13,199

so it seems as if we now are at a place

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00:05:20,629 --> 00:05:16,320

where we're willing to re-examine all of

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00:05:22,610 --> 00:05:20,639

the facets of the experience and try to

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00:05:24,409 --> 00:05:22,620

come away with some learnings but how do

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00:05:27,110 --> 00:05:24,419

you think about

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00:05:29,450 --> 00:05:27,120

the concept of high strangeness in the

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00:05:31,909 --> 00:05:29,460

history of the topic what do you see it

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00:05:33,890 --> 00:05:31,919

emerging and and it's it's role Within

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00:05:37,430 --> 00:05:33,900

These sort of

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00:05:40,070 --> 00:05:37,440

big events in in history

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00:05:42,290 --> 00:05:40,080

right when you pointed out valet I think

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00:05:44,749 --> 00:05:42,300
he's been a central character in terms

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00:05:47,390 --> 00:05:44,759
of uh legitimizing uh the high

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00:05:51,529 --> 00:05:47,400
strangeness and demanding that we look

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00:05:54,529 --> 00:05:51,539
at it as another uh data set

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00:05:55,850 --> 00:05:54,539
um because he as I've said many times

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00:05:58,010 --> 00:05:55,860
before

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00:05:59,090 --> 00:05:58,020
because his approach was to actually be

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00:06:01,129 --> 00:05:59,100
a kind of boots on the ground

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00:06:03,469 --> 00:06:01,139
investigator he would you know fly

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00:06:05,930 --> 00:06:03,479
across the world if he needed to to meet

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00:06:07,790 --> 00:06:05,940
with experiencers ideally before they

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00:06:09,890 --> 00:06:07,800
had come into contact with a bunch of

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00:06:12,170 --> 00:06:09,900

ufologists who perhaps had biased or

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00:06:15,230 --> 00:06:12,180

prejudiced or limited their story or

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00:06:17,330 --> 00:06:15,240

tried to you know Steer their story uh

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valet went in and tried to have a really

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00:06:21,469 --> 00:06:19,440

objective take on what they were

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00:06:23,450 --> 00:06:21,479

experiencing and once he established

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00:06:25,309 --> 00:06:23,460

that they were credible people who were

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professionals who had family lives and

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reputations like all of us and he

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recognized that they were not doing this

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00:06:35,150 --> 00:06:33,300

for fame or fortune or notoriety

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00:06:36,650 --> 00:06:35,160

he he began to recognize there's

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00:06:39,650 --> 00:06:36,660

something really weird happening to

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00:06:41,930 --> 00:06:39,660
people around UFOs you know

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00:06:43,370 --> 00:06:41,940
um and in some ways

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00:06:46,610 --> 00:06:43,380
you know he got to a point where the

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00:06:48,890 --> 00:06:46,620
UFOs were kind of secondary to the

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00:06:50,629 --> 00:06:48,900
primary experience of the uh you know

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00:06:51,529 --> 00:06:50,639
the cosmic connection

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00:06:53,809 --> 00:06:51,539
um

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00:06:57,409 --> 00:06:53,819
so

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00:07:00,770 --> 00:06:57,419
he's been Central for legitimizing it as

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00:07:02,930 --> 00:07:00,780
has John Keel uh and even people like J

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00:07:05,210 --> 00:07:02,940
Allen heineck uh to his credit came

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00:07:07,370 --> 00:07:05,220
around to seeing that as well

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00:07:08,930 --> 00:07:07,380

um because you know I'll refresh

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00:07:11,570 --> 00:07:08,940

people's memory that going back in the

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00:07:13,909 --> 00:07:11,580

20th century ufology when you're doing

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00:07:16,370 --> 00:07:13,919

your darndest as a researcher to try and

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00:07:18,110 --> 00:07:16,380

be have your fields of inquiry taken

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00:07:19,730 --> 00:07:18,120

seriously by the mainstream

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00:07:21,490 --> 00:07:19,740

the last thing you need is a bunch of

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00:07:24,110 --> 00:07:21,500

weird stuff that sounds like hauntings

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00:07:26,270 --> 00:07:24,120

uh or paranormal stuff you know coming

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00:07:27,830 --> 00:07:26,280

into the mix it's going to just make it

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much less likely that you'll be taken

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seriously in the mainstream and you

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often see this as kind of a nuts and

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bulge technology of extraterrestrial

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00:07:41,029 --> 00:07:36,780

beings who've flown here from Alpha

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Centauri or whatever and and so you

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often get to the point where you

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actively suppress it or refuse cases

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00:07:48,230 --> 00:07:47,220

that have too much High strangeness you

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know

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um

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or if if you are forced to deal with

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some you'll just downplay that and and

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and because as I you know pointed out in

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my recent talk in New York because

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there's no sort of peer review of how

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data is analyzed and presented and

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collated

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people just kind of willy-nilly pick the

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parts they want to talk about and

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exclude the rest so for a long time I

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think this was underrepresented in the

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material historically and again as to

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his credit people like valet and Keel

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that really brought it to our attention

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to the point where now we see the

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Paranormal and hauntology that's

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h-a-u-n-t Haunting in other words

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ontology and ufology all being part of a

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meta category actually I think that's

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00:08:38,209 --> 00:08:36,060
the way we think about it now or the way

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00:08:41,329 --> 00:08:38,219
we need to think about it

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right the degree to which we often

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self-audit our experience

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as well comes to mind

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how often have we heard examples where

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someone will recount their story

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their experience and leave out some

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00:08:58,430 --> 00:08:55,019
really big components of it only to

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later when it feels more comfortable and

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that might be in the setting of a

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therapist's office or with a group of

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other experiencers they'll open up and

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00:09:11,690 --> 00:09:08,519

say well you know and this other thing

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happened that I haven't told anyone and

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00:09:16,730 --> 00:09:13,680

I don't really know what to do with it I

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I had this crazy dream or I had this

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Poltergeist activity in the house or

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oftentimes it can also be something

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sexual in that nature which is something

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we absolutely are used to suppressing in

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our culture

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um so you have all these elements that

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are in that mix in the soup but we

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really just want to we want something

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00:09:38,150 --> 00:09:36,540

we're just pulling out the vegetables

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because we can easily identify them we

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can't see all the things that are in the

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in the broth you know uh so it's

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it's a fundamentally important part of

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00:09:52,190 --> 00:09:49,860

of the experience uh to separate them

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out I think is doing a great disservice

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it's also one of the most challenging

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things to account for uh in our attempt

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to understand what it is

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right because many times the the high

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strange qualities of the experience are

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so subjective and contextual that it's

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difficult for us to go okay well

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these were all the craft of the same

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kind of shape and there you know it we

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we could we so easily can categorize a

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spaceship quote unquote rather than some

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sort of paranormal type of experience or

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dream state or or what have you how do

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you think about the the kind of just the

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challenge of incorporating High

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strangeness into the narrative and into

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an ability to understand what this

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actually is

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well I think I would actually turn that

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question on its head in some ways and

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say that I think the people who really

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have become Die Hard researchers and

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have really grappled honestly with this

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material

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actually end up deciding that unless a

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narrative experience includes some

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absurdity or high strangeness they're

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not sure it's actually a real account in

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other words it's so Central to these

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experiences that if there's not an

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element of weirdness bizarreness

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absurdity there are people like I think

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even Anne streber Whitley strieber's

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late wife

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we talk about that you know when people

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would write them in with letters

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if there wasn't a little bit of that

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like what you know element to it um she

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wasn't sure whether to take the account

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seriously

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um Bernardo Castro's talked about that

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as well he wrote a really great book

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called meaning in absurdity

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and he talks about the very same thing

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if the story is too like sci-fi you know

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00:11:45,350 --> 00:11:42,300

aliens came down landed took me back to

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00:11:47,389 --> 00:11:45,360

their planet sugaba and I met some

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00:11:49,550 --> 00:11:47,399

strange you know green-headed aliens and

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00:11:51,769 --> 00:11:49,560

then came back and they flew away and

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00:11:54,290 --> 00:11:51,779

gave me you know mince cakes or

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00:11:57,470 --> 00:11:54,300

something to give to my family if it's

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00:12:00,829 --> 00:11:57,480

too straight laced and there's no like

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00:12:03,110 --> 00:12:00,839

impact on Consciousness and after

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00:12:06,170 --> 00:12:03,120

effects and residual experiences that

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00:12:08,630 --> 00:12:06,180

are weird it tends to perhaps point to

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00:12:10,790 --> 00:12:08,640

the the story not being actually an

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00:12:12,710 --> 00:12:10,800

example of the UFO phenomenon which

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00:12:14,269 --> 00:12:12,720

again we mean that broadly to Paranormal

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00:12:16,370 --> 00:12:14,279

stuff as well so

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00:12:17,769 --> 00:12:16,380

it like I say like lavender said it's a

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00:12:21,290 --> 00:12:17,779

feature not a bug

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00:12:24,670 --> 00:12:21,300

well before we begin unpacking the sort

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00:12:26,690 --> 00:12:24,680

of sub qualities of this definition

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00:12:30,710 --> 00:12:26,700

maybe we can spend a second talking

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00:12:32,449 --> 00:12:30,720

about why it is that we are prone to

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00:12:35,090 --> 00:12:32,459

discard

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00:12:37,130 --> 00:12:35,100
the high strangeness generally and here

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00:12:39,470 --> 00:12:37,140
I'm talking about a favorite sort of

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00:12:43,129 --> 00:12:39,480
whipping post for our show and that's uh

304
00:12:45,650 --> 00:12:43,139
the the Paradigm of physicalism and uh

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00:12:49,490 --> 00:12:45,660
our our Temptation and tendency to just

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00:12:52,269 --> 00:12:49,500
discard things that we cannot uh reduce

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00:12:56,269 --> 00:12:52,279
down to these materialistic qualities

308
00:12:59,389 --> 00:12:56,279
and it strikes me that we uh

309
00:13:01,970 --> 00:12:59,399
we're throwing the the bath water out

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00:13:03,769 --> 00:13:01,980
and leaving the baby in in the bathtub

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00:13:06,350 --> 00:13:03,779
um and saying there was the bath water

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00:13:08,629 --> 00:13:06,360
is not unimportant to this bath

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00:13:11,569 --> 00:13:08,639

so you know how do you think about that

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00:13:13,670 --> 00:13:11,579

interplay uh in in the 20th century and

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00:13:15,769 --> 00:13:13,680

now in the 21st century is we're

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00:13:18,590 --> 00:13:15,779

beginning to see that there may be more

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00:13:20,990 --> 00:13:18,600

to reality than we once thought

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00:13:24,949 --> 00:13:21,000

yeah it's a good point and I I see

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00:13:27,050 --> 00:13:24,959

people when they enter into this topic

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00:13:29,509 --> 00:13:27,060

which becomes addictive in many ways

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00:13:32,449 --> 00:13:29,519

right we were talking before we went on

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00:13:34,490 --> 00:13:32,459

about how it even creates uh difficulty

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00:13:37,250 --> 00:13:34,500

in people's relational lives and their

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00:13:39,170 --> 00:13:37,260

families and whatnot because

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00:13:41,569 --> 00:13:39,180

for people who really get taken in by

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00:13:43,250 --> 00:13:41,579

this topic it it does end up being

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00:13:45,590 --> 00:13:43,260

questions about reality and why we're

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00:13:47,509 --> 00:13:45,600

here and the big questions and for those

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00:13:49,370 --> 00:13:47,519

who don't take it seriously it can

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00:13:53,090 --> 00:13:49,380

create some distance and some

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00:13:54,170 --> 00:13:53,100

uh some conflict in those relationships

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00:13:56,210 --> 00:13:54,180

um

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00:13:59,750 --> 00:13:56,220

but you know I I think that what I see

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00:14:01,490 --> 00:13:59,760

people doing is they'll try to hold on

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00:14:04,490 --> 00:14:01,500

to their current Paradigm right the

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00:14:06,710 --> 00:14:04,500

current narrating way of seeing reality

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00:14:08,090 --> 00:14:06,720

until there's just so much data they

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00:14:09,530 --> 00:14:08,100

have no choice but to move a little bit

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00:14:11,030 --> 00:14:09,540

further away from that and then another

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00:14:12,430 --> 00:14:11,040

step and then another step until

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00:14:15,170 --> 00:14:12,440

eventually

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00:14:17,150 --> 00:14:15,180

you determine that our working

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00:14:19,069 --> 00:14:17,160

conventional model of reality with

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00:14:22,970 --> 00:14:19,079

physicalism is just not tenable you know

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00:14:24,350 --> 00:14:22,980

and I think about the analogy of uh when

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00:14:26,569 --> 00:14:24,360

I went from being you know an

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00:14:28,370 --> 00:14:26,579

Evangelical to to not being an

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00:14:30,949 --> 00:14:28,380

Evangelical

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00:14:32,449 --> 00:14:30,959

um and and now being very spiritual but

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00:14:33,889 --> 00:14:32,459

not identifying with any particular

351
00:14:35,930 --> 00:14:33,899
religious tradition even though I've

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00:14:37,610 --> 00:14:35,940
been very influenced both by

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00:14:38,870 --> 00:14:37,620
Christianity and by Buddhism for

354
00:14:40,189 --> 00:14:38,880
instance

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00:14:41,930 --> 00:14:40,199
um

356
00:14:43,670 --> 00:14:41,940
I remember going through a phase where

357
00:14:45,230 --> 00:14:43,680
you know first you're solidly you know

358
00:14:47,269 --> 00:14:45,240
Southern Baptist or something right and

359
00:14:49,430 --> 00:14:47,279
then you're kind of like I'm gonna flirt

360
00:14:51,590 --> 00:14:49,440
with Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy

361
00:14:53,449 --> 00:14:51,600
right and that's cool but it's still a

362
00:14:54,949 --> 00:14:53,459
little bit too like dogmatic so that I'm

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00:14:56,569 --> 00:14:54,959

going to be like emergent church right

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00:14:58,970 --> 00:14:56,579

and now I'm really cutting edge there's

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00:14:59,930 --> 00:14:58,980

a lot of post-modernism but eventually

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00:15:01,790 --> 00:14:59,940

you get to point where you say to

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00:15:04,009 --> 00:15:01,800

yourself I think I'm kind of fooling

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00:15:07,490 --> 00:15:04,019

myself like I'm really not in this Camp

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00:15:09,530 --> 00:15:07,500

anymore and as scary as it is in these

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00:15:12,170 --> 00:15:09,540

kinds of experiences existentially right

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00:15:14,990 --> 00:15:12,180

so step outside those borders and say I

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no longer identify as this

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00:15:19,250 --> 00:15:17,459

um I think those are some of the most

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transformative experiences in our lives

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00:15:23,870 --> 00:15:21,480

so when that happens and I think that's

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00:15:25,970 --> 00:15:23,880

what happens with this phenomenon in

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00:15:28,689 --> 00:15:25,980

people's uh that are really interested

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00:15:30,470 --> 00:15:28,699

in this and and taken with it is that

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00:15:33,410 --> 00:15:30,480

eventually it gets to the point where

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00:15:36,050 --> 00:15:33,420

they're like this is more Central

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00:15:38,569 --> 00:15:36,060

to what's going on who I am why I'm here

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00:15:40,970 --> 00:15:38,579

what all of this means then the things I

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00:15:42,829 --> 00:15:40,980

used to be taken with so

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00:15:44,389 --> 00:15:42,839

um that's the trajectory I see people

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00:15:46,730 --> 00:15:44,399

going through

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00:15:50,870 --> 00:15:49,009

and I think that's one of the reasons as

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00:15:53,329 --> 00:15:50,880

we've discussed before in this podcast

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00:15:55,490 --> 00:15:53,339

why the notion of disclosure for so many

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00:15:56,829 --> 00:15:55,500

reasons is challenging but one of them

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00:16:00,290 --> 00:15:56,839

being that

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00:16:03,410 --> 00:16:00,300

the most of our conventional thinking

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00:16:05,269 --> 00:16:03,420

Society is not prepared to say what's on

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00:16:06,949 --> 00:16:05,279

the table here is the very nature of

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00:16:08,990 --> 00:16:06,959

reality and yet I don't know how you

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really enter into this discussion

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00:16:17,810 --> 00:16:15,350

well you can see uh pretty much every

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00:16:21,110 --> 00:16:17,820

day and in our circles the kind of

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00:16:24,050 --> 00:16:21,120

posturing that occurs in

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00:16:26,090 --> 00:16:24,060

seeking legitimacy by saying well I'm

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00:16:30,650 --> 00:16:26,100

not interested in

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00:16:31,370 --> 00:16:30,660
the woo that I can't explain in a data

402
00:16:34,550 --> 00:16:31,380
set

403
00:16:37,269 --> 00:16:34,560
if you're not bringing me data then

404
00:16:40,129 --> 00:16:37,279
it's not real uh

405
00:16:42,889 --> 00:16:40,139
discarding the fact that

406
00:16:44,810 --> 00:16:42,899
time and time again in the data

407
00:16:46,730 --> 00:16:44,820
through the experience

408
00:16:49,430 --> 00:16:46,740
people having the experience are telling

409
00:16:51,470 --> 00:16:49,440
you this is what's happening well I

410
00:16:53,749 --> 00:16:51,480
can't I don't have an imprint on the

411
00:16:56,269 --> 00:16:53,759
ground I don't have a photograph well it

412
00:16:58,189 --> 00:16:56,279
that stuff is happening only in your

413
00:17:00,949 --> 00:16:58,199

mind and these other things are

414

00:17:03,050 --> 00:17:00,959
happening in physical reality and

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00:17:04,850 --> 00:17:03,060
there's that posturing that that occurs

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00:17:07,669 --> 00:17:04,860
to try to gain

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00:17:10,669 --> 00:17:07,679
uh lift legitimacy with

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00:17:12,789 --> 00:17:10,679
our society at large and and recognizing

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00:17:15,829 --> 00:17:12,799
that these are things we will value

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00:17:17,449 --> 00:17:15,839
these are things we won't and where I

421

00:17:19,309 --> 00:17:17,459
get frustrated with this and we talked

422

00:17:22,309 --> 00:17:19,319
about this before

423

00:17:26,270 --> 00:17:22,319
we wanna we went on air tonight is that

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00:17:28,250 --> 00:17:26,280
I would argue almost everyone has some

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00:17:30,610 --> 00:17:28,260
experience in their life

426
00:17:34,070 --> 00:17:30,620
that is

427
00:17:36,529 --> 00:17:34,080
grounded in intuition and feeling and

428
00:17:39,289 --> 00:17:36,539
something that is inexplicable and it

429
00:17:41,029 --> 00:17:39,299
has a dramatic impact on the trajectory

430
00:17:43,970 --> 00:17:41,039
of a person's life

431
00:17:45,710 --> 00:17:43,980
that that the kinds of events that we

432
00:17:48,230 --> 00:17:45,720
like to be able to point to and say well

433
00:17:52,250 --> 00:17:48,240
this is real because I can put it into a

434
00:17:55,310 --> 00:17:52,260
lab experiment those kinds of things are

435
00:17:57,289 --> 00:17:55,320
make up a small quantity of the events

436
00:17:58,490 --> 00:17:57,299
that have profound impact on who we

437
00:18:00,470 --> 00:17:58,500
think we are

438
00:18:03,590 --> 00:18:00,480

who we choose to be

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00:18:04,909 --> 00:18:03,600

in the world how we Define our story

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00:18:07,010 --> 00:18:04,919

so I find it just incredibly

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00:18:09,650 --> 00:18:07,020

disingenuous and frustrating that we go

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00:18:12,169 --> 00:18:09,660

around you know clamoring for all of

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00:18:15,049 --> 00:18:12,179

this data making it sound like it's so

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00:18:17,990 --> 00:18:15,059

relevant and important at least data of

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00:18:20,330 --> 00:18:18,000

a certain kind yet discarding

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00:18:21,710 --> 00:18:20,340

just a giant swath of The Human

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00:18:25,070 --> 00:18:21,720

Experience

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00:18:28,070 --> 00:18:25,080

and to me that's one of the benefits the

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00:18:31,310 --> 00:18:28,080

beauties of this study

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00:18:33,289 --> 00:18:31,320

is that it it redeems those things and

451
00:18:34,490 --> 00:18:33,299
gives them a place at that table in the

452
00:18:37,730 --> 00:18:34,500
conversation

453
00:18:40,010 --> 00:18:37,740
and as you say points to that

454
00:18:43,970 --> 00:18:40,020
fundamental question reality is not as

455
00:18:46,310 --> 00:18:43,980
it seems okay what is it really

456
00:18:48,710 --> 00:18:46,320
right and I would I would add that when

457
00:18:50,450 --> 00:18:48,720
people talk about you know

458
00:18:52,130 --> 00:18:50,460
can you reduce this to something that's

459
00:18:53,630 --> 00:18:52,140
reproducible in a lab for instance

460
00:18:55,070 --> 00:18:53,640
because you brought up you know what is

461
00:18:56,029 --> 00:18:55,080
data

462
00:19:00,830 --> 00:18:56,039
um

463
00:19:03,110 --> 00:19:00,840

always worth saying again that

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00:19:05,210 --> 00:19:03,120

when you have a lot of accounts of very

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00:19:08,150 --> 00:19:05,220

similar experiences with very common

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00:19:09,710 --> 00:19:08,160

themes and those themes are weird and

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00:19:11,090 --> 00:19:09,720

people don't want to have to admit those

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00:19:13,190 --> 00:19:11,100

themes and yet they show up time and

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00:19:14,570 --> 00:19:13,200

time again that's a good indication that

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00:19:17,029 --> 00:19:14,580

actually there's

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00:19:19,549 --> 00:19:17,039

um validity to those claims that those

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00:19:22,970 --> 00:19:19,559

elements really are there somehow

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00:19:24,830 --> 00:19:22,980

now the question uh around is this

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00:19:27,049 --> 00:19:24,840

Justin people's heads becomes kind of an

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00:19:29,090 --> 00:19:27,059

ironic question because

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00:19:31,250 --> 00:19:29,100

where you and I have landed is that kind

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00:19:34,190 --> 00:19:31,260

of you know reality itself is a

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00:19:36,350 --> 00:19:34,200

mentation process that ultimately mind

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00:19:38,390 --> 00:19:36,360

stuff is behind what we perceive as

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00:19:40,970 --> 00:19:38,400

physicality so

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00:19:43,190 --> 00:19:40,980

in that extent everything is in our

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00:19:45,169 --> 00:19:43,200

heads right but not our physical heads

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00:19:46,850 --> 00:19:45,179

but our our larger stream of

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00:19:48,830 --> 00:19:46,860

Consciousness kind of meditation process

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00:19:51,830 --> 00:19:48,840

of which we are apart

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00:19:54,710 --> 00:19:51,840

um and then on top of that I think about

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00:19:56,750 --> 00:19:54,720

you know for instance when I

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00:19:59,029 --> 00:19:56,760

depending on which circles I'm I'm in I

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00:20:02,390 --> 00:19:59,039

will be you know more forthcoming or not

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00:20:03,549 --> 00:20:02,400

around contact experiences I've had and

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information

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00:20:08,090 --> 00:20:05,700

downloads I've had right and depending

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00:20:09,710 --> 00:20:08,100

on who's listening and how bizarre I

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00:20:11,510 --> 00:20:09,720

think that will be to them you know I

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00:20:13,490 --> 00:20:11,520

decide whether or not to talk about it

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00:20:15,950 --> 00:20:13,500

but I've had some people say well okay

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00:20:17,630 --> 00:20:15,960

so can you reproduce that in a lab

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00:20:19,549 --> 00:20:17,640

in other words like in their mind that's

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00:20:20,930 --> 00:20:19,559

the only way that would be legitimate

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00:20:22,190 --> 00:20:20,940

right and prove that it was really

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00:20:24,049 --> 00:20:22,200
happening

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00:20:26,570 --> 00:20:24,059
but of course what that forgets is that

503
00:20:29,330 --> 00:20:26,580
you're you're even claiming to be in

504
00:20:31,370 --> 00:20:29,340
contact with another intelligence that's

505
00:20:34,610 --> 00:20:31,380
not something that just like will repeat

506
00:20:37,190 --> 00:20:34,620
in a lab right uh if you even try and

507
00:20:38,510 --> 00:20:37,200
take a a dog or a pet you know and bring

508
00:20:40,070 --> 00:20:38,520
them into a lab and get them to do

509
00:20:43,330 --> 00:20:40,080
something it can get challenging let

510
00:20:46,970 --> 00:20:43,340
alone some super sophisticated you know

511
00:20:48,890 --> 00:20:46,980
non-physical intelligence right

512
00:20:49,909 --> 00:20:48,900
um you know John Alexander's talked

513
00:20:51,830 --> 00:20:49,919

about

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00:20:54,230 --> 00:20:51,840

places like Skinwalker Ranch and

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00:20:57,110 --> 00:20:54,240

observing what he called precognitive

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00:20:59,210 --> 00:20:57,120

sentient phenomena which was his way of

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00:21:01,490 --> 00:20:59,220

describing

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00:21:03,409 --> 00:21:01,500

trying to conduct scientific experiments

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like you would in a lab right saying

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00:21:08,330 --> 00:21:06,299

let's let's test to see if a is true and

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00:21:09,529 --> 00:21:08,340

the way we'll try and prove the a is

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true is we'll set up this experiment

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00:21:15,110 --> 00:21:11,820

we'll do it right if a happens we know

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00:21:16,669 --> 00:21:15,120

that yay our hypothesis is confirmed or

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00:21:19,250 --> 00:21:16,679

if not we'll we'll plan something else

526
00:21:20,390 --> 00:21:19,260
but then what ends up happening is the

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00:21:23,570 --> 00:21:20,400
very

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00:21:25,909 --> 00:21:23,580
means by which they hope to confirm

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00:21:28,070 --> 00:21:25,919
something gets messed with like

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00:21:30,409 --> 00:21:28,080
precognitively in other words it seems

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00:21:32,270 --> 00:21:30,419
like this intelligence knows what you're

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00:21:34,130 --> 00:21:32,280
going to try to test before you even try

533
00:21:36,110 --> 00:21:34,140
to test it before you've even conceived

534
00:21:38,810 --> 00:21:36,120
of how you're going to try and test it

535
00:21:41,090 --> 00:21:38,820
that shows the level of precognition

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00:21:44,930 --> 00:21:41,100
that this these other intelligences have

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00:21:47,870 --> 00:21:44,940
which makes it seem like ridiculous and

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00:21:50,149 --> 00:21:47,880

since it's the word of the day absurd to

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00:21:52,549 --> 00:21:50,159

think that you can reproduce this in a

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00:21:55,490 --> 00:21:52,559

lab right it's just not that kind of

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00:21:57,649 --> 00:21:55,500

phenomena and again this comes down to

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00:21:59,210 --> 00:21:57,659

our assumptions about the nature of

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00:22:02,450 --> 00:21:59,220

reality and our assumptions that we're

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00:22:04,370 --> 00:22:02,460

at the top of the food chain and that

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00:22:07,010 --> 00:22:04,380

everything else is inert dead matter

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00:22:09,230 --> 00:22:07,020

that we can just you know manipulate the

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00:22:12,710 --> 00:22:09,240

way we want to in lab situations and it

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00:22:14,510 --> 00:22:12,720

just doesn't work that way mm-hmm

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well let's uh let's break it down let's

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kind of Step through the definition a

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little bit because I think it is a good

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way to unpack some of the aspects uh of

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00:22:25,909 --> 00:22:23,159

high strangeness so

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00:22:28,430 --> 00:22:25,919

um let's start out with the peculiar and

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as I've been thinking about

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this word I'm gonna reference back to

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my my Christian upbringing uh which to

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00:22:42,350 --> 00:22:39,539

me didn't seem peculiar at all I was

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00:22:44,270 --> 00:22:42,360

born into the church and that's the sort

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00:22:46,490 --> 00:22:44,280

of error in which I breathed for a very

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00:22:48,770 --> 00:22:46,500

long time but what became peculiar to me

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00:22:50,570 --> 00:22:48,780

when I first started having an awareness

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00:22:51,890 --> 00:22:50,580

of The Wider world is that there were

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00:22:54,470 --> 00:22:51,900

other people

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00:22:57,169 --> 00:22:54,480

who went to other churches in the

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00:22:59,029 --> 00:22:57,179

community that I grew up in so I found

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00:23:02,090 --> 00:22:59,039

that like strange why why is not

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00:23:04,909 --> 00:23:02,100

everyone going to this one Church uh

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00:23:07,610 --> 00:23:04,919

that I have found to be you know the

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00:23:09,890 --> 00:23:07,620

most important place to orient my life

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00:23:12,289 --> 00:23:09,900

around so that that that little sort of

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00:23:14,930 --> 00:23:12,299

subtlety uh at least in my own

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00:23:17,330 --> 00:23:14,940

experience was was quite strange

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00:23:20,870 --> 00:23:17,340

and uh it's funny how that one little

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00:23:23,029 --> 00:23:20,880

thing ends up sort of opening up the

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00:23:25,610 --> 00:23:23,039

crack to some some larger you know

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00:23:26,870 --> 00:23:25,620

issues later on which we can touch on in

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00:23:28,669 --> 00:23:26,880

a minute

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00:23:30,610 --> 00:23:28,679

um but that that's just one example and

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00:23:32,810 --> 00:23:30,620

I wanted to use that because it is

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00:23:34,610 --> 00:23:32,820

something that maybe some folks can

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00:23:38,149 --> 00:23:34,620

relate to that doesn't have anything to

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00:23:40,070 --> 00:23:38,159

do with uh you know kind of a UFO

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00:23:41,750 --> 00:23:40,080

experience or something paranormal but

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00:23:44,510 --> 00:23:41,760

it speaks to the fact that there are

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00:23:47,390 --> 00:23:44,520

we're all born into a world not of our

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00:23:51,230 --> 00:23:47,400

choosing we we take a lot of things to

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00:23:54,049 --> 00:23:51,240

be Givens in our childhood that that we

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00:23:56,630 --> 00:23:54,059

later find out to be aren't Givens they

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00:23:58,789 --> 00:23:56,640

aren't Norms they're just

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00:24:00,230 --> 00:23:58,799

little things that we have been told are

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00:24:03,649 --> 00:24:00,240

the way things are

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00:24:06,230 --> 00:24:03,659

and uh it's nice that we actually

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00:24:09,169 --> 00:24:06,240

everyone has that experience it's a very

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00:24:11,270 --> 00:24:09,179

common denominator so as we grow we

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00:24:13,789 --> 00:24:11,280

realize that the world is not as it

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00:24:15,890 --> 00:24:13,799

seemed it's not as encapsulated in our

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00:24:18,470 --> 00:24:15,900

in our family unit and our family values

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00:24:21,529 --> 00:24:18,480

as we as we were taught to or at least

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00:24:24,169 --> 00:24:21,539

we came to assume and so that's a way

601
00:24:26,210 --> 00:24:24,179
that I think about this uh not being a

602
00:24:28,370 --> 00:24:26,220
direct experimenter of of anything that

603
00:24:29,470 --> 00:24:28,380
is uh what we might call classically

604
00:24:32,149 --> 00:24:29,480
strange

605
00:24:34,310 --> 00:24:32,159
but I think it is a good reference point

606
00:24:36,830 --> 00:24:34,320
for everyone at least to think about

607
00:24:39,289 --> 00:24:36,840
this from a broader context when you

608
00:24:41,450 --> 00:24:39,299
think about peculiar uh what are some

609
00:24:43,130 --> 00:24:41,460
sort of things that come to mind for you

610
00:24:44,870 --> 00:24:43,140
and your experience

611
00:24:47,270 --> 00:24:44,880
well when I think about that word like

612
00:24:49,010 --> 00:24:47,280
you say it's it's the least uh offensive

613
00:24:50,450 --> 00:24:49,020

the least of a stretch in terms of

614

00:24:51,890 --> 00:24:50,460

people's

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00:24:53,750 --> 00:24:51,900

generally people have had that

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00:24:55,610 --> 00:24:53,760

experience right and

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00:24:57,710 --> 00:24:55,620

when I think about that in the UFO

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00:24:59,210 --> 00:24:57,720

phenomenon

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00:25:02,870 --> 00:24:59,220

um I think

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00:25:05,510 --> 00:25:02,880

that sort of aligns with

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00:25:08,510 --> 00:25:05,520

when you experience elements that don't

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00:25:11,570 --> 00:25:08,520

seem to fit with the narrative you had

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00:25:13,130 --> 00:25:11,580

sort of held about what this is so it's

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00:25:16,190 --> 00:25:13,140

not yet at the level where it questions

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00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:16,200

you know your model of reality it's not

626
00:25:20,990 --> 00:25:18,240
at the level where it makes you go how

627
00:25:23,870 --> 00:25:21,000
does that even make sense but it is

628
00:25:25,549 --> 00:25:23,880
an element of that's strange if this is

629
00:25:28,549 --> 00:25:25,559
the case then why that you know it's

630
00:25:29,930 --> 00:25:28,559
just sort of that you know mental that

631
00:25:31,070 --> 00:25:29,940
you do kind of thing like that's that's

632
00:26:05,870 --> 00:25:31,080
a

633
00:26:07,549 --> 00:26:05,880
first level

634
00:26:09,769 --> 00:26:07,559
of strangeness where it hasn't got

635
00:26:11,470 --> 00:26:09,779
really weird yet but it's enough to make

636
00:26:14,690 --> 00:26:11,480
you begin to question

637
00:26:16,610 --> 00:26:14,700
your uh prevailing understanding of what

638
00:26:18,830 --> 00:26:16,620

this is

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00:26:21,529 --> 00:26:18,840

I I was listening to a recent interview

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00:26:26,210 --> 00:26:21,539

with valet where he was recounting

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00:26:27,710 --> 00:26:26,220

similarities in uh the Trinity event and

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00:26:32,269 --> 00:26:27,720

the Socorro

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00:26:34,970 --> 00:26:32,279

experience and he he brought up the uh

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00:26:36,649 --> 00:26:34,980

that the the beings and the craft they

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00:26:38,690 --> 00:26:36,659

they had the suits on and everything but

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00:26:40,070 --> 00:26:38,700

there was no you know sort of what we

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00:26:41,870 --> 00:26:40,080

would consider to be a breathing

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00:26:44,149 --> 00:26:41,880

apparatus or they didn't have any

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00:26:45,110 --> 00:26:44,159

trouble operating within our atmosphere

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00:26:46,909 --> 00:26:45,120

which is something you would

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00:26:48,890 --> 00:26:46,919

traditionally at least from our

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00:26:51,409 --> 00:26:48,900

scientific understanding think they

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00:26:55,010 --> 00:26:51,419

might need if they were from some other

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00:26:57,190 --> 00:26:55,020

planet some other atmosphere uh so it's

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00:27:00,950 --> 00:26:57,200

it's this uh

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00:27:02,870 --> 00:27:00,960

familiarity that humanoid form but and

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00:27:05,990 --> 00:27:02,880

the challenging the assumptions that

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00:27:08,269 --> 00:27:06,000

that you might bring to the experience

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00:27:11,330 --> 00:27:08,279

yeah indeed when we're brought up with

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00:27:14,630 --> 00:27:11,340

this evolutionary model of biology and

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00:27:17,269 --> 00:27:14,640

we assume that beings are heavily

662

00:27:20,570 --> 00:27:17,279

adapted to the environment they were

663

00:27:23,750 --> 00:27:20,580

formed in and evolved in and you know

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00:27:25,730 --> 00:27:23,760

had multiple generations of then yeah we

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00:27:28,850 --> 00:27:25,740

were taught I remember in even in

666

00:27:30,529 --> 00:27:28,860

science fiction the norm was that the

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00:27:32,090 --> 00:27:30,539

weirder you can get in terms of this

668

00:27:35,390 --> 00:27:32,100

thing looks so bizarre I didn't even

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00:27:37,490 --> 00:27:35,400

recognize it as life you know or and uh

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00:27:38,810 --> 00:27:37,500

you know the the environment it existed

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00:27:40,730 --> 00:27:38,820

in was so different that it's you know

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00:27:42,529 --> 00:27:40,740

like it's like breathing sulfur right or

673

00:27:44,510 --> 00:27:42,539

something like that or you know it

674

00:27:46,970 --> 00:27:44,520

drinks acid for lunch kind of thing yeah

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00:27:48,710 --> 00:27:46,980

so it's sort of like the shocking sci-fi

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00:27:51,710 --> 00:27:48,720

thing was like they're so different than

677

00:27:53,450 --> 00:27:51,720

us and then like you say what we have is

678

00:27:56,870 --> 00:27:53,460

these experiences of these humanoid

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00:27:58,669 --> 00:27:56,880

bipedal beings sometimes things you know

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00:28:00,110 --> 00:27:58,679

beings that look completely human right

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00:28:01,909 --> 00:28:00,120

sometimes there's subtle differences

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00:28:03,649 --> 00:28:01,919

other times they look no different than

683

00:28:06,230 --> 00:28:03,659

your neighbor

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00:28:08,750 --> 00:28:06,240

which doesn't fit with our understanding

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00:28:11,029 --> 00:28:08,760

not only of sci-fi but even

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00:28:15,950 --> 00:28:11,039

you know what we were taught about how

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00:28:18,110 --> 00:28:15,960

our shape is completely arbitrarily uh

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00:28:19,730 --> 00:28:18,120

or you know it's it's dependent on where

689

00:28:21,110 --> 00:28:19,740

you're where you're born but more

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00:28:21,830 --> 00:28:21,120

importantly where your ancestors were

691

00:28:24,529 --> 00:28:21,840

born

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00:28:26,210 --> 00:28:24,539

and you can't separate your form from

693

00:28:27,529 --> 00:28:26,220

the environment in which you you live

694

00:28:30,289 --> 00:28:27,539

and you exist

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00:28:32,750 --> 00:28:30,299

so that that's you know

696

00:28:33,730 --> 00:28:32,760

something I think about uh with those

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00:28:37,130 --> 00:28:33,740

elements

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00:28:39,890 --> 00:28:37,140

well where would you put uh

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00:28:41,570 --> 00:28:39,900

synchronicity in in the scale here would

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00:28:42,529 --> 00:28:41,580

you consider that I mean it may depend

701
00:28:49,390 --> 00:28:42,539
on

702
00:28:51,470 --> 00:28:49,400
but I I think of kind of the uh

703
00:28:55,610 --> 00:28:51,480
synchronicities we're all accustomed to

704
00:28:57,049 --> 00:28:55,620
uh that uh you you learn a new word and

705
00:28:58,789 --> 00:28:57,059
then all of a sudden you're seeing it

706
00:29:01,310 --> 00:28:58,799
everywhere and it's not a not a

707
00:29:02,870 --> 00:29:01,320
averagely used it's not a word you would

708
00:29:04,610 --> 00:29:02,880
normally run across it's a very strange

709
00:29:06,830 --> 00:29:04,620
word now you're seeing it pop up all

710
00:29:10,010 --> 00:29:06,840
over the place uh that strikes me as

711
00:29:12,169 --> 00:29:10,020
peculiar uh so what what do you think

712
00:29:13,549 --> 00:29:12,179
about that what do you put synchronicity

713
00:29:16,669 --> 00:29:13,559

here

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00:29:19,669 --> 00:29:16,679

that is a tricky one because number one

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00:29:21,529 --> 00:29:19,679

as I've come across recently people have

716

00:29:22,490 --> 00:29:21,539

different working understandings of that

717

00:29:25,549 --> 00:29:22,500

word

718

00:29:27,289 --> 00:29:25,559

I think traditionally

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00:29:28,850 --> 00:29:27,299

you know in conventional mainstream

720

00:29:32,090 --> 00:29:28,860

culture you're you're taught that is

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00:29:37,010 --> 00:29:34,250

meaningless right it's just

722

00:29:37,850 --> 00:29:37,020

two events that maybe are connected in

723

00:29:40,310 --> 00:29:37,860

your

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00:29:42,470 --> 00:29:40,320

thinking about them so they they hold

725

00:29:43,310 --> 00:29:42,480

some some level of significance to you

726

00:29:45,110 --> 00:29:43,320

but

727

00:29:46,789 --> 00:29:45,120

there's no implication beyond that

728

00:29:48,470 --> 00:29:46,799

basically right

729

00:29:49,850 --> 00:29:48,480

um and then you have the far other end

730

00:29:51,590 --> 00:29:49,860

of the spectrum

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00:29:54,230 --> 00:29:51,600

which is where I ended up and people

732

00:29:55,789 --> 00:29:54,240

like Carl Jung ended up here too that

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00:29:57,470 --> 00:29:55,799

actually synchronicity is saying

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00:30:00,590 --> 00:29:57,480

something about the underlying nature of

735

00:30:03,169 --> 00:30:00,600

reality itself and that what we

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00:30:07,010 --> 00:30:03,179

experienced superficially

737

00:30:10,610 --> 00:30:07,020

as synchronicity is actually a residue

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00:30:13,269 --> 00:30:10,620

or a byproduct or a derivative of the

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00:30:16,310 --> 00:30:13,279

actual structure and movement of reality

740

00:30:18,889 --> 00:30:16,320

in the Subterranean regions that we

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00:30:20,450 --> 00:30:18,899

don't experience directly but we see the

742

00:30:22,610 --> 00:30:20,460

the after effects of the kind of way

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00:30:24,950 --> 00:30:22,620

that you see a flag moving which tells

744

00:30:27,350 --> 00:30:24,960

you that wind is there right in the same

745

00:30:29,810 --> 00:30:27,360

way synchronicity is the sign that we

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00:30:31,850 --> 00:30:29,820

see on The Superficial level telling us

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00:30:34,730 --> 00:30:31,860

that something is moving in the

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00:30:35,769 --> 00:30:34,740

Subterranean meaning making

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00:30:39,110 --> 00:30:35,779

um

750

00:30:40,549 --> 00:30:39,120

Machinery or organic structure of

751

00:30:43,970 --> 00:30:40,559

reality itself

752

00:30:46,130 --> 00:30:43,980

so I think that synchronicity is in some

753

00:30:47,450 --> 00:30:46,140

ways people's on-ramp to to high

754

00:30:49,850 --> 00:30:47,460

strangeness

755

00:30:51,889 --> 00:30:49,860

I do hear sometimes people saying

756

00:30:53,330 --> 00:30:51,899

and I sometimes get caught off guard by

757

00:30:55,490 --> 00:30:53,340

this because I don't personally have

758

00:30:57,409 --> 00:30:55,500

this experience but I seem to come

759

00:30:59,149 --> 00:30:57,419

across a lot of people who say they

760

00:31:01,130 --> 00:30:59,159

started paying attention to things and

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00:31:02,870 --> 00:31:01,140

paying attention to synchronicity and

762

00:31:04,370 --> 00:31:02,880

the next thing they knew they were like

763

00:31:06,230 --> 00:31:04,380

so deep down the rabbit hole they

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00:31:07,789 --> 00:31:06,240

wondered if they'd like fooled

765

00:31:09,049 --> 00:31:07,799

themselves and they were like reading

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00:31:10,610 --> 00:31:09,059

into things that weren't really there

767

00:31:12,590 --> 00:31:10,620

right so you hear that quite often too

768

00:31:14,990 --> 00:31:12,600

that people start believing that the

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00:31:17,690 --> 00:31:15,000

universities aren't the university the

770

00:31:20,330 --> 00:31:17,700

universe is talking to them through

771

00:31:21,769 --> 00:31:20,340

everything right like you know you had a

772

00:31:24,110 --> 00:31:21,779

particular bowel movement what does that

773

00:31:26,149 --> 00:31:24,120

mean right you know my I dropped my pen

774

00:31:27,409 --> 00:31:26,159

what is that what is what's the universe

775

00:31:29,990 --> 00:31:27,419

trying to tell me

776

00:31:32,510 --> 00:31:30,000

I personally don't have that difficulty

777

00:31:34,610 --> 00:31:32,520

like for me I do experience

778

00:31:37,130 --> 00:31:34,620

synchronicity

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00:31:39,409 --> 00:31:37,140

um but to me it's always it has a again

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00:31:42,110 --> 00:31:39,419

this a qualitative nature to it right

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00:31:43,730 --> 00:31:42,120

it's not just about saying this happened

782

00:31:45,710 --> 00:31:43,740

then this happened and to me that's

783

00:31:47,149 --> 00:31:45,720

synchronistic it's about the the

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00:31:49,490 --> 00:31:47,159

qualitative

785

00:31:51,529 --> 00:31:49,500

element of it that that there's this way

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00:31:54,649 --> 00:31:51,539

that it impacts your Consciousness that

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00:31:57,649 --> 00:31:54,659

says aha there's something here that's

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00:32:00,529 --> 00:31:57,659

that's like a residue of some deeper

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00:32:03,049 --> 00:32:00,539

movement in reality which is ultimately

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00:32:05,149 --> 00:32:03,059

Consciousness so

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00:32:07,250 --> 00:32:05,159

yeah I think that synchronicity is

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00:32:09,470 --> 00:32:07,260

absolutely in this game right it's part

793

00:32:12,049 --> 00:32:09,480

of the the same general topic and this

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00:32:13,610 --> 00:32:12,059

is often an on-ramp for people before

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00:32:15,590 --> 00:32:13,620

they've even experienced maybe

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00:32:17,750 --> 00:32:15,600

strangeness with the UFO phenomenon

797

00:32:21,590 --> 00:32:17,760

maybe they've never had a sighting or

798

00:32:23,269 --> 00:32:21,600

had contact with it being but they do

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00:32:25,610 --> 00:32:23,279

um begin to experience these elements of

800

00:32:28,010 --> 00:32:25,620

synchronicity that that often is the the

801
00:32:29,889 --> 00:32:28,020
first stage in this deep dive down the

802
00:32:32,149 --> 00:32:29,899
rabbit hole

803
00:32:34,389 --> 00:32:32,159
well let's talk a little bit about the

804
00:32:38,450 --> 00:32:34,399
bazaar uh

805
00:32:41,330 --> 00:32:38,460
ramping this up just a tad here so I'll

806
00:32:44,389 --> 00:32:41,340
give an anecdote um from my from my

807
00:32:47,090 --> 00:32:44,399
experience so I uh

808
00:32:48,830 --> 00:32:47,100
I I'm I'm not a frequent dreamer I I'm

809
00:32:52,310 --> 00:32:48,840
sure I am dreaming every night but I

810
00:32:55,130 --> 00:32:52,320
don't remember them quite often uh and

811
00:32:58,549 --> 00:32:55,140
when I was in college

812
00:33:01,070 --> 00:32:58,559
uh I had what what I think was probably

813
00:33:04,130 --> 00:33:01,080

if not my only but one of maybe a very

814

00:33:07,070 --> 00:33:04,140

small number of lucid dreams

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00:33:09,070 --> 00:33:07,080

um I was between terms I was uh actually

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00:33:12,289 --> 00:33:09,080

taking some summer classes

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00:33:14,870 --> 00:33:12,299

and uh I was

818

00:33:17,029 --> 00:33:14,880

separated from my girlfriend at the time

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00:33:19,970 --> 00:33:17,039

this was early on in my college Years

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00:33:21,649 --> 00:33:19,980

and in this dream

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00:33:25,009 --> 00:33:21,659

I

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00:33:26,690 --> 00:33:25,019

transported to the top of the world

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00:33:29,269 --> 00:33:26,700

that's the best way I can describe it

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00:33:32,029 --> 00:33:29,279

it's a very strange way that dreams can

825

00:33:33,889 --> 00:33:32,039

make you think where you are but I just

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00:33:36,769 --> 00:33:33,899

knew it was the top of the world it was

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00:33:40,130 --> 00:33:36,779

like I was uh almost like I was visiting

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00:33:41,990 --> 00:33:40,140

like uh Superman's Crystal uh

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00:33:44,630 --> 00:33:42,000

headquarters or whatever you know sort

830

00:33:46,009 --> 00:33:44,640

of snowy landscape and whatnot and there

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00:33:50,029 --> 00:33:46,019

was an old

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00:33:53,389 --> 00:33:50,039

man there who

833

00:33:57,409 --> 00:33:53,399

either I equated to God or

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00:34:00,830 --> 00:33:57,419

had that kind of god-like wisdom that

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00:34:02,389 --> 00:34:00,840

the sort of stereotypical God figure uh

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00:34:04,730 --> 00:34:02,399

even though I was already at the point

837

00:34:07,730 --> 00:34:04,740

where I knew God wasn't you know a man

838

00:34:10,909 --> 00:34:07,740

or a bearded person in the sky but in my

839

00:34:13,849 --> 00:34:10,919

dream this is what it felt like and he

840

00:34:16,310 --> 00:34:13,859

said to me he said well it's um

841

00:34:18,770 --> 00:34:16,320

it's the end of the world it's the end

842

00:34:20,869 --> 00:34:18,780

of the world is finally here it's okay

843

00:34:24,169 --> 00:34:20,879

interesting and then I was instantly

844

00:34:27,230 --> 00:34:24,179

transported to this uh

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00:34:30,649 --> 00:34:27,240

Beach this Coastal like I was in Florida

846

00:34:34,550 --> 00:34:30,659

somewhere but um I was inside of a

847

00:34:36,770 --> 00:34:34,560

multi-storied condo that had been uh

848

00:34:40,310 --> 00:34:36,780

shorn in half so basically I'm standing

849

00:34:42,290 --> 00:34:40,320

in a in a condo room but I instead of a

850

00:34:44,629 --> 00:34:42,300

window like the building is cut in half

851
00:34:47,450 --> 00:34:44,639
and I'm looking at the ocean and I'm

852
00:34:50,210 --> 00:34:47,460
looking down the beach uh and and it's

853
00:34:51,710 --> 00:34:50,220
just pure Devastation along the beach

854
00:34:54,950 --> 00:34:51,720
like uh

855
00:34:58,130 --> 00:34:54,960
very apocalyptic other buildings either

856
00:35:00,890 --> 00:34:58,140
utterly destroyed or are also shorn in

857
00:35:02,750 --> 00:35:00,900
half sky was darkened

858
00:35:04,550 --> 00:35:02,760
um and then I was transported to the

859
00:35:05,810 --> 00:35:04,560
beach itself when I was on the beach

860
00:35:07,910 --> 00:35:05,820
itself

861
00:35:11,690 --> 00:35:07,920
the ocean

862
00:35:13,130 --> 00:35:11,700
was no longer there it had receded and I

863
00:35:15,349 --> 00:35:13,140

really couldn't see

864

00:35:16,970 --> 00:35:15,359

where the water was and what was left

865

00:35:20,270 --> 00:35:16,980

was this

866

00:35:23,750 --> 00:35:20,280

you know Barren ocean floor with these

867

00:35:26,990 --> 00:35:23,760

gigantic almost like Rusty

868

00:35:31,130 --> 00:35:27,000

will carcass ratings that were emerging

869

00:35:33,170 --> 00:35:31,140

in the seabed uh creating kind of a a

870

00:35:36,470 --> 00:35:33,180

tunnel

871

00:35:39,230 --> 00:35:36,480

into the depths of what once were the

872

00:35:43,010 --> 00:35:39,240

ocean and in the sky in the dark cloudy

873

00:35:45,050 --> 00:35:43,020

sky was was this gigantic swarm of of

874

00:35:48,950 --> 00:35:45,060

colored orbs

875

00:35:50,990 --> 00:35:48,960

just circular circulating and spinning

876

00:35:54,589 --> 00:35:51,000

and and at the time I knew nothing about

877

00:35:57,230 --> 00:35:54,599

orbs and the connection with orbs and

878

00:35:59,510 --> 00:35:57,240

UFOs none of that at all

879

00:36:01,550 --> 00:35:59,520

but I felt this compulsion to go down

880

00:36:04,730 --> 00:36:01,560

this tunnel like I was supposed to go

881

00:36:07,790 --> 00:36:04,740

down into this into this ring structure

882

00:36:10,550 --> 00:36:07,800

uh you know into the abyss basically and

883

00:36:12,530 --> 00:36:10,560

so I'm starting to do that

884

00:36:15,170 --> 00:36:12,540

I hear this voice behind me basically

885

00:36:17,270 --> 00:36:15,180

saying don't don't do that don't go you

886

00:36:19,730 --> 00:36:17,280

got to come back and so I turn around to

887

00:36:22,790 --> 00:36:19,740

look behind me and behind me

888

00:36:24,470 --> 00:36:22,800

is my ex-girlfriend at the time and I'm

889

00:36:26,510 --> 00:36:24,480

looking at her and I'm like it's like I

890

00:36:28,609 --> 00:36:26,520

was like shook out of a stupor you know

891

00:36:30,950 --> 00:36:28,619

just so like like the I was in a trance

892

00:36:32,990 --> 00:36:30,960

and I wasn't a trance anymore and I and

893

00:36:34,970 --> 00:36:33,000

I saw her and I was like oh my gosh like

894

00:36:36,890 --> 00:36:34,980

I I shouldn't I shouldn't go this is

895

00:36:42,470 --> 00:36:36,900

very bad I need to come back and I need

896

00:36:45,950 --> 00:36:42,480

to be with you so for me this was a like

897

00:36:47,510 --> 00:36:45,960

a kind of a pivotal Moment In My Life

898

00:36:49,430 --> 00:36:47,520

um because

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00:36:52,190 --> 00:36:49,440

I had never had a dream like this I

900

00:36:54,470 --> 00:36:52,200

never had a dream as as Vivid as this

901
00:36:57,230 --> 00:36:54,480
was it's actually a dream that I wrote

902
00:36:59,030 --> 00:36:57,240
down in a journal like which I never

903
00:37:01,190 --> 00:36:59,040
really did I'm not a journalist a

904
00:37:03,050 --> 00:37:01,200
journaler and I've lost the journal

905
00:37:04,310 --> 00:37:03,060
which really frustrates me I'd love to

906
00:37:06,710 --> 00:37:04,320
go back and read it

907
00:37:08,510 --> 00:37:06,720
but it it was one of those moments where

908
00:37:10,069 --> 00:37:08,520
I I sort of was listening to my

909
00:37:11,870 --> 00:37:10,079
subconscious and it was saying to me

910
00:37:12,670 --> 00:37:11,880
like you you're supposed to be with this

911
00:37:15,170 --> 00:37:12,680
person

912
00:37:17,390 --> 00:37:15,180
and uh and and that's something I

913
00:37:19,250 --> 00:37:17,400

already knew before this dream really

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00:37:22,750 --> 00:37:19,260

occurred but it was this affirmation of

915

00:37:25,430 --> 00:37:22,760

what I already felt and uh

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00:37:29,390 --> 00:37:25,440

that believe it or not has like kind of

917

00:37:31,670 --> 00:37:29,400

oriented a lot of my life I mean I I we

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00:37:34,370 --> 00:37:31,680

got back together we got married we have

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00:37:35,990 --> 00:37:34,380

family and and I think about it I

920

00:37:37,310 --> 00:37:36,000

probably know not a week goes by where I

921

00:37:40,490 --> 00:37:37,320

don't think about that dream in some

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00:37:42,470 --> 00:37:40,500

form of uh or another so you know truly

923

00:37:44,510 --> 00:37:42,480

weird uh for me

924

00:37:46,190 --> 00:37:44,520

um but a good example what I talked

925

00:37:49,130 --> 00:37:46,200

about earlier where this very strange

926
00:37:50,950 --> 00:37:49,140
thing that isn't what we would point to

927
00:37:53,870 --> 00:37:50,960
is like a

928
00:37:56,630 --> 00:37:53,880
something we can quantify in the way we

929
00:38:00,109 --> 00:37:56,640
want like to quantify uh our big life

930
00:38:02,810 --> 00:38:00,119
decisions but it absolutely has changed

931
00:38:05,089 --> 00:38:02,820
my life uh and and for the better so

932
00:38:06,770 --> 00:38:05,099
anyway that's a long preamble to this

933
00:38:08,690 --> 00:38:06,780
bizarre section but I think it's a good

934
00:38:10,609 --> 00:38:08,700
example of uh of what at least in my

935
00:38:13,130 --> 00:38:10,619
experience what we're talking about

936
00:38:15,710 --> 00:38:13,140
right and and what I hear in that is

937
00:38:19,390 --> 00:38:15,720
this sort of next level of strangeness

938
00:38:22,250 --> 00:38:19,400

right so peculiar is still fairly tame

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00:38:24,650 --> 00:38:22,260

bizarre is much more extreme word right

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00:38:27,430 --> 00:38:24,660

connotatively

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00:38:30,050 --> 00:38:27,440

um and really speaks to the the

942

00:38:31,670 --> 00:38:30,060

qualitatively different level of

943

00:38:32,829 --> 00:38:31,680

experience right is what I hear you

944

00:38:36,530 --> 00:38:32,839

saying in that

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00:38:39,849 --> 00:38:38,750

where I would land a few of my

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00:38:42,410 --> 00:38:39,859

experiences

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00:38:45,230 --> 00:38:42,420

personally I don't think too many

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00:38:46,970 --> 00:38:45,240

would really go into the Absurd I I

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00:38:50,210 --> 00:38:46,980

definitely want us to touch on that

950

00:38:52,010 --> 00:38:50,220

because I think there are

951
00:38:53,810 --> 00:38:52,020
some elements there even where the

952
00:38:55,250 --> 00:38:53,820
trickster phenomena comes in but we'll

953
00:38:58,130 --> 00:38:55,260
we'll save that one for when we get

954
00:39:00,109 --> 00:38:58,140
there but when I think about bizarre

955
00:39:02,329 --> 00:39:00,119
experiences

956
00:39:05,270 --> 00:39:02,339
one is around

957
00:39:07,370 --> 00:39:05,280
my own personal actions right so you

958
00:39:08,810 --> 00:39:07,380
have interactions with some sort of

959
00:39:10,510 --> 00:39:08,820
Consciousness some sort of intelligence

960
00:39:14,390 --> 00:39:10,520
that seems non-human or at least

961
00:39:15,829 --> 00:39:14,400
non-conventionally human and you end up

962
00:39:17,810 --> 00:39:15,839
doing things that don't make any sense

963
00:39:19,970 --> 00:39:17,820

to you and I've experienced this

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00:39:21,349 --> 00:39:19,980

personally this is very again this is a

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00:39:23,569 --> 00:39:21,359

calling card of the phenomenon right

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00:39:26,450 --> 00:39:23,579

that I think for some people is

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00:39:28,730 --> 00:39:26,460

extremely disturbing actually that that

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00:39:30,770 --> 00:39:28,740

what we're saying is that some other

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00:39:33,050 --> 00:39:30,780

intelligence is able to control your

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00:39:35,270 --> 00:39:33,060

mind control your actions control your

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00:39:38,329 --> 00:39:35,280

emotions right I I recently did a

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00:39:40,010 --> 00:39:38,339

podcast on POC where

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00:39:41,870 --> 00:39:40,020

you would see on a dime that if you're

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00:39:44,530 --> 00:39:41,880

getting too upset they could just call

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00:39:47,210 --> 00:39:44,540

me right down right uh

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00:39:49,370 --> 00:39:47,220

you find yourself walking into a

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00:39:52,310 --> 00:39:49,380

spaceship and getting up on a a table to

978

00:39:53,510 --> 00:39:52,320

be examined and their hypnotic

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00:39:55,310 --> 00:39:53,520

regressionist says why are you doing

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00:39:56,530 --> 00:39:55,320

that and well well because I was told to

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00:39:59,150 --> 00:39:56,540

and

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00:40:00,950 --> 00:39:59,160

but in real time you don't even have

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00:40:02,569 --> 00:40:00,960

that conflict of why am I doing this

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00:40:04,490 --> 00:40:02,579

you're because thoughts are just popping

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00:40:05,990 --> 00:40:04,500

into your mind and we're so used to

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00:40:07,790 --> 00:40:06,000

thoughts being

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00:40:09,530 --> 00:40:07,800

us being the owner of those thoughts

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00:40:11,390 --> 00:40:09,540

right the originator of those thoughts

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00:40:13,190 --> 00:40:11,400

the author of those thoughts that

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00:40:15,050 --> 00:40:13,200

doesn't even occur to us that other

991

00:40:18,770 --> 00:40:15,060

intelligences could

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00:40:21,589 --> 00:40:18,780

interject these decision points in our

993

00:40:23,450 --> 00:40:21,599

very mentation process which is again

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00:40:26,030 --> 00:40:23,460

very disturbing for people who have a

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00:40:28,430 --> 00:40:26,040

really clear-cut notion of I'm this

996

00:40:30,530 --> 00:40:28,440

you're that there's no crossover right

997

00:40:32,690 --> 00:40:30,540

and what this phenomenon does is say oh

998

00:40:34,790 --> 00:40:32,700

there's plenty of crossover and don't be

999

00:40:36,890 --> 00:40:34,800

so sure about your definition of who you

1000

00:40:38,870 --> 00:40:36,900

are and even when you

1001
00:40:41,990 --> 00:40:38,880
describe your situation with that lucid

1002
00:40:45,470 --> 00:40:42,000
dream I think about that you know like

1003
00:40:47,870 --> 00:40:45,480
we have access to much larger portions

1004
00:40:49,430 --> 00:40:47,880
of ourselves than we usually interact

1005
00:40:52,069 --> 00:40:49,440
with and work with

1006
00:40:54,470 --> 00:40:52,079
and it's through things like dreams and

1007
00:40:56,810 --> 00:40:54,480
astral travel and psychedelic Journeys

1008
00:40:59,210 --> 00:40:56,820
that we experience those broader parts

1009
00:41:01,250 --> 00:40:59,220
of ourselves right so before we even get

1010
00:41:05,270 --> 00:41:01,260
to the notion of these others

1011
00:41:07,550 --> 00:41:05,280
there's a much you know a selective you

1012
00:41:10,609 --> 00:41:07,560
know the proverbial Iceberg right the

1013
00:41:12,829 --> 00:41:10,619

part below the water is much more

1014

00:41:15,530 --> 00:41:12,839

extensive and substantial than what we

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00:41:17,810 --> 00:41:15,540

usually see and interact with and we can

1016

00:41:21,650 --> 00:41:17,820

experience that in dreams

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00:41:24,050 --> 00:41:21,660

but getting back to my point about how

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00:41:26,870 --> 00:41:24,060

behavior is determined by these other

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00:41:28,790 --> 00:41:26,880

intelligences sometimes human behavior I

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00:41:31,069 --> 00:41:28,800

had a couple experiences of that where I

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00:41:34,069 --> 00:41:31,079

look back and I go wow that's just I I

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00:41:35,450 --> 00:41:34,079

cannot for the life of me determine why

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00:41:37,849 --> 00:41:35,460

I would have done that it just doesn't

1024

00:41:40,490 --> 00:41:37,859

make any sense based on my personality

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00:41:42,050 --> 00:41:40,500

my history the circumstances and yet

1026
00:41:43,069 --> 00:41:42,060
it's exactly what happened and I think

1027
00:41:45,170 --> 00:41:43,079
when you've

1028
00:41:46,310 --> 00:41:45,180
experienced that personally it's a very

1029
00:41:48,410 --> 00:41:46,320
different level

1030
00:41:50,450 --> 00:41:48,420
of just hitting home in terms of how

1031
00:41:52,069 --> 00:41:50,460
much this really does happen

1032
00:41:54,290 --> 00:41:52,079
because you know yourself you think you

1033
00:41:55,550 --> 00:41:54,300
know yourself right and you live a

1034
00:41:56,990 --> 00:41:55,560
certain number of decades and you've

1035
00:41:59,329 --> 00:41:57,000
always made decisions a certain way and

1036
00:42:01,490 --> 00:41:59,339
suddenly you find yourself acting in

1037
00:42:04,310 --> 00:42:01,500
anomalous ways right so for for instance

1038
00:42:06,710 --> 00:42:04,320

one I'll touch on really quickly uh I've

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00:42:10,250 --> 00:42:06,720

talked about it elsewhere

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00:42:13,609 --> 00:42:10,260

um when my wife at the time was pregnant

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00:42:17,270 --> 00:42:13,619

with uh our son which is our second

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00:42:19,490 --> 00:42:17,280

child in a hotel this humanoid female

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00:42:22,310 --> 00:42:19,500

being appeared in the middle of the

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00:42:24,650 --> 00:42:22,320

night or early morning hours and I got

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00:42:26,390 --> 00:42:24,660

up and walked towards this being the

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00:42:30,109 --> 00:42:26,400

being then proceeded to walk through the

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00:42:32,089 --> 00:42:30,119

wall then came back outside the wall and

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00:42:33,950 --> 00:42:32,099

what's really strange is and again this

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00:42:35,390 --> 00:42:33,960

is the first level of strangeness asyla

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00:42:36,950 --> 00:42:35,400

was like okay yeah I guess I'll go back

1051
00:42:38,630 --> 00:42:36,960
to sleep now that seems like the logical

1052
00:42:41,089 --> 00:42:38,640
thing to do that's what people do right

1053
00:42:42,050 --> 00:42:41,099
after they see a humanoid entity just if

1054
00:42:44,390 --> 00:42:42,060
you're in their room and walk through

1055
00:42:46,790 --> 00:42:44,400
while they go back to sleep right I mean

1056
00:42:49,970 --> 00:42:46,800
that's what I did and uh

1057
00:42:51,410 --> 00:42:49,980
again thankfully my wife at the time you

1058
00:42:53,390 --> 00:42:51,420
know shook me out of my stupor and said

1059
00:42:55,010 --> 00:42:53,400
we need to talk about this are you not

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00:42:56,750 --> 00:42:55,020
thinking about what just happened and it

1061
00:42:58,430 --> 00:42:56,760
kind of snapped me out of that

1062
00:43:00,770 --> 00:42:58,440
trance-like state and we had a

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00:43:02,690 --> 00:43:00,780

conversation and ended up not staying at

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00:43:04,790 --> 00:43:02,700

the hotel for the continental breakfast

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00:43:06,470 --> 00:43:04,800

we got out of there as fast as we could

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00:43:08,690 --> 00:43:06,480

and this was before I really had a

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00:43:10,250 --> 00:43:08,700

strong understanding of how that kind of

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00:43:12,710 --> 00:43:10,260

strangeness was associated with this

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00:43:14,870 --> 00:43:12,720

phenomenon like I didn't think aliens or

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00:43:16,690 --> 00:43:14,880

UFOs or non-human intelligence I just

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00:43:19,730 --> 00:43:16,700

didn't know what to make of it really

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00:43:21,770 --> 00:43:19,740

but if I hadn't been you know shaken out

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00:43:23,930 --> 00:43:21,780

of my stupor I probably would have gone

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00:43:25,130 --> 00:43:23,940

to sleep and and just assumed it was a

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00:43:27,710 --> 00:43:25,140

dream

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00:43:30,170 --> 00:43:27,720

or maybe forgotten about it all together

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00:43:32,150 --> 00:43:30,180

right uh so I and I think that happens

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00:43:34,309 --> 00:43:32,160

to a lot of people by the way so that

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00:43:36,050 --> 00:43:34,319

that was an example where my behavior

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00:43:37,010 --> 00:43:36,060

just didn't make any sense to me and I

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00:43:39,050 --> 00:43:37,020

don't think it would make sense to

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00:43:40,849 --> 00:43:39,060

anyone right I mean you would think that

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00:43:43,790 --> 00:43:40,859

you'd be have adrenaline shooting

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00:43:47,750 --> 00:43:43,800

through your body you would be you know

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00:43:49,309 --> 00:43:47,760

I don't know screaming or yeah you know

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00:43:51,470 --> 00:43:49,319

hightailing out there as fast as you

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00:43:54,470 --> 00:43:51,480

could it's called the front desk right

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00:43:56,750 --> 00:43:54,480

right exactly exactly room service yeah

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00:43:59,630 --> 00:43:56,760

well can you talk about the entity

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00:44:01,849 --> 00:43:59,640

um yeah so and I have one more I'll

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00:44:03,950 --> 00:44:01,859

quickly share too that happened more

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00:44:05,470 --> 00:44:03,960

recently just a few years ago since I've

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00:44:11,150 --> 00:44:05,480

lived here in North Carolina

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00:44:13,190 --> 00:44:11,160

where there was one time where we were

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00:44:15,290 --> 00:44:13,200

trying to induce contact but through

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00:44:17,450 --> 00:44:15,300

kind of a shamanic kind of experience so

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00:44:19,250 --> 00:44:17,460

we had a big mother Drummond we're doing

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00:44:21,530 --> 00:44:19,260

kind of shamanic drumming and and

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00:44:24,589 --> 00:44:21,540

inviting the presence of benevolent

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00:44:26,450 --> 00:44:24,599

others and what ended up happening was

1101

00:44:30,950 --> 00:44:26,460

within about half an hour

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00:44:32,390 --> 00:44:30,960

this huge sound came over the house like

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00:44:35,210 --> 00:44:32,400

it was it's really hard to describe

1104

00:44:37,609 --> 00:44:35,220

because it was a deep humming sound

1105

00:44:40,010 --> 00:44:37,619

it wasn't like a passing jet that gets

1106

00:44:43,370 --> 00:44:40,020

you know slowly louder and then recedes

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00:44:47,750 --> 00:44:43,380

it was just a a consistent really loud

1108

00:44:50,089 --> 00:44:47,760

hum immense hum over the entire house

1109

00:44:52,430 --> 00:44:50,099

but what's weird is we just all walked

1110

00:44:55,250 --> 00:44:52,440

around the three of us right in the

1111

00:44:57,230 --> 00:44:55,260

house kind of ignoring what was going on

1112

00:44:58,430 --> 00:44:57,240

not even talking about it amongst

1113

00:45:00,589 --> 00:44:58,440

ourselves we didn't talk about it till

1114

00:45:01,609 --> 00:45:00,599

the next day right the next day we're

1115

00:45:06,410 --> 00:45:01,619

like

1116

00:45:09,230 --> 00:45:06,420

yeah let's let's talk about this and it

1117

00:45:11,329 --> 00:45:09,240

brought us back into our consciousness

1118

00:45:13,190 --> 00:45:11,339

so that didn't make any sense to me I

1119

00:45:15,410 --> 00:45:13,200

didn't I didn't go outside to look right

1120

00:45:17,390 --> 00:45:15,420

because now I think there might have

1121

00:45:19,910 --> 00:45:17,400

been a giant craft above the house right

1122

00:45:21,589 --> 00:45:19,920

but so the logical thing to do is to get

1123

00:45:25,069 --> 00:45:21,599

out you know outside and take a look

1124

00:45:28,130 --> 00:45:25,079

right I didn't I I think part of me when

1125

00:45:30,170 --> 00:45:28,140

I reflect on it was afraid I think there

1126

00:45:31,510 --> 00:45:30,180

was a part of me that was like I don't

1127

00:45:34,190 --> 00:45:31,520

want to have to deal with this right now

1128

00:45:36,890 --> 00:45:34,200

uh I know I part some part of being you

1129

00:45:38,870 --> 00:45:36,900

that I kind of initiated the contact but

1130

00:45:42,710 --> 00:45:38,880

I didn't think it would show up like

1131

00:45:45,170 --> 00:45:42,720

that right so I I was partly

1132

00:45:46,609 --> 00:45:45,180

feeling that but mostly the rest of it

1133

00:45:48,650 --> 00:45:46,619

just doesn't make any sense to me it's

1134

00:45:50,690 --> 00:45:48,660

just bizarre like even though I would

1135

00:45:52,069 --> 00:45:50,700

feel some fear I would at least want to

1136

00:45:53,390 --> 00:45:52,079

talk about it with the people that are

1137

00:45:55,609 --> 00:45:53,400

with me that are experiencing it and yet

1138

00:45:56,870 --> 00:45:55,619

we didn't right and you you hear cases

1139

00:45:58,910 --> 00:45:56,880

like that where

1140

00:46:02,150 --> 00:45:58,920

I remember in in one case I covered on

1141

00:46:04,010 --> 00:46:02,160

POC where Terry Lovelace and his friend

1142

00:46:06,710 --> 00:46:04,020

right had this experience with this

1143

00:46:08,329 --> 00:46:06,720

black triangle and being abducted and

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00:46:10,849 --> 00:46:08,339

when they were driving back they didn't

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00:46:12,470 --> 00:46:10,859

talk about it they'd both been abducted

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00:46:14,569 --> 00:46:12,480

but they did not talk about it the

1147

00:46:17,089 --> 00:46:14,579

entire Journey back and it wasn't until

1148

00:46:19,069 --> 00:46:17,099

months later even when the military is

1149

00:46:20,569 --> 00:46:19,079

trying to keep them apart that they kind

1150

00:46:22,910 --> 00:46:20,579

of said that really happened didn't it

1151
00:46:24,650 --> 00:46:22,920
you know and it's like very very strange

1152
00:46:26,510 --> 00:46:24,660
Behavior so it's similar to that

1153
00:46:27,950 --> 00:46:26,520
experience there where it just the fact

1154
00:46:29,510 --> 00:46:27,960
that we didn't talk about it the fact

1155
00:46:31,510 --> 00:46:29,520
that I didn't go outside none of that

1156
00:46:34,430 --> 00:46:31,520
makes sense to me it's extremely bizarre

1157
00:46:35,270 --> 00:46:34,440
verging on the Absurd right

1158
00:46:37,309 --> 00:46:35,280
um

1159
00:46:41,230 --> 00:46:37,319
and And yet when it happens to you

1160
00:46:43,790 --> 00:46:41,240
personally you you have this

1161
00:46:45,829 --> 00:46:43,800
disjointed experience right you have

1162
00:46:47,809 --> 00:46:45,839
this experience where you know things

1163
00:46:49,609 --> 00:46:47,819

rolled out a certain way but how they

1164

00:46:51,530 --> 00:46:49,619

roll that doesn't make any sense based

1165

00:46:56,569 --> 00:46:51,540

on your understanding of who you are and

1166

00:47:02,270 --> 00:46:59,270

they they're like these almost like

1167

00:47:09,609 --> 00:47:02,280

fulcrum moments right where it's uh your

1168

00:47:13,849 --> 00:47:11,809

intersection right where you're

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00:47:15,829 --> 00:47:13,859

confronted with this this this complete

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00:47:17,030 --> 00:47:15,839

abnormality and and then you have to

1171

00:47:18,170 --> 00:47:17,040

make you have to do it you have to do

1172

00:47:20,630 --> 00:47:18,180

something with it or not do something

1173

00:47:22,430 --> 00:47:20,640

with it uh but you can't be the same

1174

00:47:24,530 --> 00:47:22,440

person you were before that you're going

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00:47:27,230 --> 00:47:24,540

to be after

1176

00:47:30,230 --> 00:47:27,240

so it's it's almost like a chapter

1177

00:47:32,510 --> 00:47:30,240

starting uh that you have to

1178

00:47:35,390 --> 00:47:32,520

wrestle with I don't know that

1179

00:47:37,069 --> 00:47:35,400

it there's so many times in in life that

1180

00:47:39,230 --> 00:47:37,079

are like that

1181

00:47:40,490 --> 00:47:39,240

um at least in looking back maybe

1182

00:47:44,270 --> 00:47:40,500

sometimes they become a little bit

1183

00:47:46,670 --> 00:47:44,280

clearer and it's it's rare maybe this is

1184

00:47:49,370 --> 00:47:46,680

one of the qualities of the bizarre that

1185

00:47:51,950 --> 00:47:49,380

it not only is clear there was a there's

1186

00:47:54,829 --> 00:47:51,960

a change but you notice that in that

1187

00:47:56,630 --> 00:47:54,839

time as well uh it's as being very

1188

00:47:58,370 --> 00:47:56,640

profound

1189

00:48:01,210 --> 00:47:58,380

um

1190

00:48:04,190 --> 00:48:01,220

well what about I know we we

1191

00:48:07,630 --> 00:48:04,200

talk about difficult to kind of pinpoint

1192

00:48:09,890 --> 00:48:07,640

some utterly absurd examples but uh

1193

00:48:11,750 --> 00:48:09,900

you know I don't know if you have any in

1194

00:48:13,730 --> 00:48:11,760

your own experience but I'm sure we

1195

00:48:15,650 --> 00:48:13,740

could point to some in you know in the

1196

00:48:17,270 --> 00:48:15,660

in the literature we've thought about it

1197

00:48:18,710 --> 00:48:17,280

but what do you think about here when

1198

00:48:20,329 --> 00:48:18,720

you're when you're thinking about the

1199

00:48:22,309 --> 00:48:20,339

utterly absurd aspect of high

1200

00:48:24,050 --> 00:48:22,319

strangeness

1201
00:48:26,510 --> 00:48:24,060
yeah interestingly I think that that

1202
00:48:28,790 --> 00:48:26,520
term obviously is

1203
00:48:31,490 --> 00:48:28,800
how we apply it is

1204
00:48:33,710 --> 00:48:31,500
based on our

1205
00:48:35,150 --> 00:48:33,720
framework of what is normal right so

1206
00:48:37,910 --> 00:48:35,160
once we've established what's normative

1207
00:48:40,670 --> 00:48:37,920
then from there we say well if it falls

1208
00:48:42,230 --> 00:48:40,680
a little bit outside that it's peculiar

1209
00:48:44,150 --> 00:48:42,240
actually if it still Falls within it but

1210
00:48:46,490 --> 00:48:44,160
kind of an outlier that's peculiar

1211
00:48:49,069 --> 00:48:46,500
bizarre is like it's really Sitting On

1212
00:48:51,589 --> 00:48:49,079
the Border absurd is I don't know how to

1213
00:48:53,569 --> 00:48:51,599

make any sense of this right so

1214

00:48:56,870 --> 00:48:53,579

I think again when people try to wrestle

1215

00:48:59,809 --> 00:48:56,880

with the level of control that some of

1216

00:49:03,050 --> 00:48:59,819

these others are able to wield

1217

00:49:05,030 --> 00:49:03,060

it it nears that at least if you're very

1218

00:49:06,050 --> 00:49:05,040

wetted to your conception of reality for

1219

00:49:07,730 --> 00:49:06,060

instance

1220

00:49:09,470 --> 00:49:07,740

it doesn't make any sense to people it

1221

00:49:12,050 --> 00:49:09,480

seems absurd to people that they could

1222

00:49:17,089 --> 00:49:14,230

you know show up above an interstate

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00:49:19,370 --> 00:49:17,099

where two people in a car will see this

1224

00:49:21,410 --> 00:49:19,380

giant Mothership one person the car will

1225

00:49:24,530 --> 00:49:21,420

not and then pretty much everybody else

1226
00:49:26,569 --> 00:49:24,540
on the interstate packed LA traffic will

1227
00:49:27,770 --> 00:49:26,579
not see anything right how is that

1228
00:49:28,790 --> 00:49:27,780
possible

1229
00:49:31,609 --> 00:49:28,800
um

1230
00:49:33,170 --> 00:49:31,619
some people will say well let's let's

1231
00:49:35,030 --> 00:49:33,180
say that physical reality as we

1232
00:49:36,109 --> 00:49:35,040
understand it is safe let's just say

1233
00:49:38,690 --> 00:49:36,119
that they're beaming into the

1234
00:49:40,069 --> 00:49:38,700
consciousness of the people directly I

1235
00:49:42,349 --> 00:49:40,079
think it goes deeper than that I really

1236
00:49:44,870 --> 00:49:42,359
do think that

1237
00:49:47,870 --> 00:49:44,880
the rendering of reality is is the level

1238
00:49:50,270 --> 00:49:47,880

at which they are operating and it's not

1239

00:49:53,150 --> 00:49:50,280

just about you know interfering with the

1240

00:49:54,770 --> 00:49:53,160

mentation process of a human being as if

1241

00:49:57,710 --> 00:49:54,780

like you know manipulating the new the

1242

00:49:59,450 --> 00:49:57,720

neurons or something or the synaptic

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00:50:01,849 --> 00:49:59,460

Connections in the brain it's it's much

1244

00:50:04,370 --> 00:50:01,859

deeper than that

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00:50:06,109 --> 00:50:04,380

but to reflect on my my own experience

1246

00:50:07,550 --> 00:50:06,119

the one I shared with the the huge

1247

00:50:09,170 --> 00:50:07,560

humming sound what was interesting about

1248

00:50:11,450 --> 00:50:09,180

that that relates to the story I just

1249

00:50:14,809 --> 00:50:11,460

said about the interstate uh kind of

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00:50:17,569 --> 00:50:14,819

scenario is a day or so later we ran

1251

00:50:21,770 --> 00:50:17,579

into our neighbors and

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00:50:24,650 --> 00:50:21,780

the lady brought up the event she also

1253

00:50:27,170 --> 00:50:24,660

heard this huge humming sound

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00:50:28,490 --> 00:50:27,180

um you know the night before and asked

1255

00:50:31,609 --> 00:50:28,500

if we'd heard it

1256

00:50:34,010 --> 00:50:31,619

and we had and then without me saying

1257

00:50:37,430 --> 00:50:34,020

anything uh about my interest in this

1258

00:50:38,750 --> 00:50:37,440

topic she said I immediately thought UFO

1259

00:50:41,210 --> 00:50:38,760

and I thought that was so interesting

1260

00:50:42,530 --> 00:50:41,220

that this neighbor and I've only talked

1261

00:50:44,510 --> 00:50:42,540

to her like two or three times ever but

1262

00:50:47,030 --> 00:50:44,520

we ran into her and and she said yeah

1263

00:50:48,770 --> 00:50:47,040

that's that's my initial thought but she

1264

00:50:50,990 --> 00:50:48,780

also didn't want to go look which

1265

00:50:53,030 --> 00:50:51,000

doesn't make any sense and what adds to

1266

00:50:55,190 --> 00:50:53,040

this strangeness is that her husband

1267

00:50:57,710 --> 00:50:55,200

didn't hear it and he was also in the

1268

00:50:59,630 --> 00:50:57,720

house so there's an example where

1269

00:51:01,549 --> 00:50:59,640

it's not the kind of thing based on the

1270

00:51:02,870 --> 00:51:01,559

level of volume that I was experiencing

1271

00:51:03,890 --> 00:51:02,880

and that people in my house were

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00:51:05,870 --> 00:51:03,900

experiencing and that this woman

1273

00:51:08,210 --> 00:51:05,880

experienced that you can just ignore

1274

00:51:09,589 --> 00:51:08,220

right even if you had headphones on you

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00:51:12,910 --> 00:51:09,599

would hear this over top of that it was

1276
00:51:15,250 --> 00:51:12,920
that loud but he didn't hear it so again

1277
00:51:18,589 --> 00:51:15,260
that kind of custom

1278
00:51:20,450 --> 00:51:18,599
crafting of the experience of reality is

1279
00:51:23,210 --> 00:51:20,460
really really bizarre right it goes

1280
00:51:26,089 --> 00:51:23,220
beyond just peculiar this is now

1281
00:51:27,770 --> 00:51:26,099
you know verging on questioning our

1282
00:51:29,690 --> 00:51:27,780
model of what reality is Right some

1283
00:51:32,270 --> 00:51:29,700
people would say I'm questioning my own

1284
00:51:34,430 --> 00:51:32,280
sanity but here we have multiple people

1285
00:51:37,430 --> 00:51:34,440
experiencing the same thing so

1286
00:51:38,690 --> 00:51:37,440
does it make sense is it logical to

1287
00:51:42,049 --> 00:51:38,700
assume that this is a collective

1288
00:51:43,849 --> 00:51:42,059

delusion or again when you take this in

1289

00:51:46,549 --> 00:51:43,859

the totality of all of the historical

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00:51:49,130 --> 00:51:46,559

narrative around this phenomenon that

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00:51:50,930 --> 00:51:49,140

this is again a feature not a bug

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00:51:53,390 --> 00:51:50,940

this really does seem to be pointing

1293

00:51:54,170 --> 00:51:53,400

towards the nature of reality itself

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00:51:57,710 --> 00:51:54,180

um

1295

00:52:01,490 --> 00:51:57,720

now in terms of absurdity

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00:52:05,390 --> 00:52:01,500

I think one I think about is

1297

00:52:07,190 --> 00:52:05,400

or a couple examples I'll give one is

1298

00:52:08,690 --> 00:52:07,200

I remember in I think it happened to the

1299

00:52:10,190 --> 00:52:08,700

kids in Zimbabwe

1300

00:52:11,390 --> 00:52:10,200

and I brought this up in New York as

1301
00:52:13,450 --> 00:52:11,400
well

1302
00:52:16,910 --> 00:52:13,460
there have been cases like this where

1303
00:52:18,290 --> 00:52:16,920
beings will show up right so people will

1304
00:52:19,670 --> 00:52:18,300
say well they were they Dreaming or was

1305
00:52:22,370 --> 00:52:19,680
it physical it's like no it was physical

1306
00:52:24,049 --> 00:52:22,380
they walked you know

1307
00:52:26,410 --> 00:52:24,059
um people saw the craft in front of a

1308
00:52:28,430 --> 00:52:26,420
tree right the tree moved so we have

1309
00:52:30,710 --> 00:52:28,440
indications this is happening in

1310
00:52:33,049 --> 00:52:30,720
physical reality but what's weird is the

1311
00:52:35,270 --> 00:52:33,059
kids noticed the beings walking across

1312
00:52:37,849 --> 00:52:35,280
the field and then like like a frame

1313
00:52:39,770 --> 00:52:37,859

skipping in a movie they suddenly jumped

1314

00:52:41,750 --> 00:52:39,780

back and walked again saw them walking

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00:52:43,910 --> 00:52:41,760

again that exact same

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00:52:46,430 --> 00:52:43,920

stretch of of field

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00:52:48,290 --> 00:52:46,440

so what does that mean right what is

1318

00:52:50,690 --> 00:52:48,300

that is that a some sort of

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00:52:53,150 --> 00:52:50,700

residual effect of a space-time

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00:52:54,770 --> 00:52:53,160

Distortion that they're able to work at

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00:52:56,630 --> 00:52:54,780

that level or is it deeper than that

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00:52:58,609 --> 00:52:56,640

even right this this brings up those

1323

00:52:59,270 --> 00:52:58,619

kinds of questions

1324

00:53:02,510 --> 00:52:59,280

um

1325

00:53:05,150 --> 00:53:02,520

there's also times where

1326

00:53:06,950 --> 00:53:05,160

again the absurdity comes down to

1327

00:53:08,690 --> 00:53:06,960

how does that even make sense so for

1328

00:53:10,130 --> 00:53:08,700

instance I think about I think his name

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00:53:11,690 --> 00:53:10,140

was Joe simmington

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00:53:13,809 --> 00:53:11,700

and he had this experience with these

1331

00:53:16,609 --> 00:53:13,819

beings that landed in his backyard

1332

00:53:17,870 --> 00:53:16,619

and they came out and they didn't look

1333

00:53:19,970 --> 00:53:17,880

like Graves they didn't look like

1334

00:53:21,890 --> 00:53:19,980

reptilians they didn't look like you

1335

00:53:24,010 --> 00:53:21,900

know mantis beings they looked like

1336

00:53:29,510 --> 00:53:24,020

Italians

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00:53:31,730 --> 00:53:29,520

right and so

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00:53:33,109 --> 00:53:31,740

again ufologists at the time really

1339

00:53:34,970 --> 00:53:33,119

didn't want to have anything to do with

1340

00:53:38,870 --> 00:53:34,980

this case and in fact when

1341

00:53:42,829 --> 00:53:38,880

the military looked into it the way they

1342

00:53:46,069 --> 00:53:42,839

explained it away is to say that

1343

00:53:47,630 --> 00:53:46,079

this guy somehow mixed a waking state

1344

00:53:50,210 --> 00:53:47,640

with a dream state in the middle of the

1345

00:53:51,890 --> 00:53:50,220

day without really having any notion of

1346

00:53:53,150 --> 00:53:51,900

how that actually happened it just

1347

00:53:56,210 --> 00:53:53,160

basically was

1348

00:53:59,030 --> 00:53:56,220

an explanation that chose not to deal

1349

00:54:00,530 --> 00:53:59,040

with the the experience at all the data

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00:54:02,210 --> 00:54:00,540

at hand

1351
00:54:04,309 --> 00:54:02,220
um but what's even stranger is that you

1352
00:54:05,930 --> 00:54:04,319
know they they made pancakes and gave

1353
00:54:09,049 --> 00:54:05,940
them a couple pancakes

1354
00:54:10,609 --> 00:54:09,059
to take with them which he actually was

1355
00:54:12,470 --> 00:54:10,619
able to produce and gave to the military

1356
00:54:15,109 --> 00:54:12,480
and they actually examined it right they

1357
00:54:17,569 --> 00:54:15,119
actually had uh technicians examine this

1358
00:54:18,950 --> 00:54:17,579
at the you know molecular level and

1359
00:54:21,349 --> 00:54:18,960
determined sure enough they're pretty

1360
00:54:23,870 --> 00:54:21,359
much standard pancakes kind of cardboard

1361
00:54:25,730 --> 00:54:23,880
tasting but pancakes right and so it's

1362
00:54:28,030 --> 00:54:25,740
that that level of like it's one thing

1363
00:54:31,490 --> 00:54:28,040

to think about gray aliens coming in

1364

00:54:32,750 --> 00:54:31,500

sophisticated you know shiny uh

1365

00:54:34,730 --> 00:54:32,760

spacecraft

1366

00:54:36,710 --> 00:54:34,740

with you know

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00:54:38,329 --> 00:54:36,720

really Advanced Computer Banks and

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00:54:39,890 --> 00:54:38,339

things like that right

1369

00:54:42,170 --> 00:54:39,900

um craft that maybe can hover things

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00:54:44,150 --> 00:54:42,180

that look like next-gen to us right but

1371

00:54:46,670 --> 00:54:44,160

the idea of a bunch of Italians stacking

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00:54:48,349 --> 00:54:46,680

stepping out of us craft and and

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00:54:50,210 --> 00:54:48,359

offering up pancakes and sometimes

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00:54:54,710 --> 00:54:50,220

asking if you have some water for their

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00:54:56,690 --> 00:54:54,720

Journey just doesn't fit with any notion

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00:54:59,089 --> 00:54:56,700

of how that makes any sense

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00:55:00,230 --> 00:54:59,099

to the point where even ufologists would

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00:55:03,170 --> 00:55:00,240

rather

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00:55:06,470 --> 00:55:03,180

accept the military's

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00:55:08,930 --> 00:55:06,480

decision that this was just basically a

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00:55:11,089 --> 00:55:08,940

waking dream experience and and so it

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00:55:13,670 --> 00:55:11,099

explains it away and so even the

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00:55:15,410 --> 00:55:13,680

ufologists will say yeah I'd rather

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00:55:19,190 --> 00:55:15,420

accept that conclusion than have to

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00:55:21,650 --> 00:55:19,200

bring this data into my Reckoning of

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00:55:24,290 --> 00:55:21,660

what's actually going on

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00:55:27,109 --> 00:55:24,300

yeah I think of uh some other good

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00:55:29,030 --> 00:55:27,119

examples often these come with the

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00:55:32,569 --> 00:55:29,040

Snickers Factor so it's the Skin Walkers

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00:55:36,890 --> 00:55:32,579

at the Pentagon anecdotes about uh the

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00:55:39,829 --> 00:55:36,900

dino Beaver or the uh you know werewolf

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00:55:42,109 --> 00:55:39,839

uh said standing under the tree or

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00:55:44,450 --> 00:55:42,119

retreating into the bushes or whatever

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00:55:47,390 --> 00:55:44,460

smoking a cigarette no less smoking a

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00:55:50,829 --> 00:55:47,400

cigarette yeah I mean these things

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00:55:54,109 --> 00:55:50,839

literally are utterly absurd

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00:55:55,910 --> 00:55:54,119

and and I'm laughing they are hard to

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00:55:58,730 --> 00:55:55,920

take seriously they're very hard to take

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00:56:03,290 --> 00:55:58,740

seriously and and that makes them

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00:56:06,710 --> 00:56:03,300

ripe for ridicule and

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00:56:09,349 --> 00:56:06,720

you can see how that

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00:56:13,730 --> 00:56:09,359

those two aspects of the in their found

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00:56:17,450 --> 00:56:15,710

these almost Achilles heels of the book

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00:56:19,190 --> 00:56:17,460

itself like it's like oh I can't take

1405

00:56:22,549 --> 00:56:19,200

anything else seriously that's in this

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00:56:24,230 --> 00:56:22,559

because of these incidents that can't

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00:56:26,750 --> 00:56:24,240

possibly be true because they're so

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00:56:30,349 --> 00:56:26,760

absurd you know we just have to discount

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00:56:33,890 --> 00:56:30,359

them outright so I I think about that

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00:56:38,210 --> 00:56:33,900

quite a bit that we we're just not

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00:56:41,390 --> 00:56:38,220

really well equipped to wrestle with

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00:56:43,730 --> 00:56:41,400

these elements of high strangeness that

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00:56:45,730 --> 00:56:43,740

that we're not accustomed to and our

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00:56:48,950 --> 00:56:45,740

culture like our the way we talk about

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00:56:51,530 --> 00:56:48,960

our our experiences and our stories and

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00:56:53,270 --> 00:56:51,540

uh what sort of constitute the the

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00:56:54,829 --> 00:56:53,280

things that we consider to be normative

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00:56:56,750 --> 00:56:54,839

I mean

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00:56:58,609 --> 00:56:56,760

there's just no place for this we don't

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00:57:01,390 --> 00:56:58,619

have any good place for this it's all

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00:57:04,270 --> 00:57:01,400

fairy tale it's all Hollywood

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00:57:07,010 --> 00:57:04,280

uh it's all uh you know sort of

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00:57:10,430 --> 00:57:07,020

drug-induced stupor or something you

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00:57:12,650 --> 00:57:10,440

know we just we write it off and um and

1425

00:57:15,170 --> 00:57:12,660

I wonder too

1426
00:57:18,530 --> 00:57:15,180
and we talked about this before you know

1427
00:57:23,569 --> 00:57:21,410
would would cultures of the past

1428
00:57:26,150 --> 00:57:23,579
you know how would they explain these

1429
00:57:28,609 --> 00:57:26,160
incidents what kind of uh importance

1430
00:57:30,650 --> 00:57:28,619
would they place on these incidents

1431
00:57:33,290 --> 00:57:30,660
that we laugh at

1432
00:57:35,089 --> 00:57:33,300
well I think you you kind of nailed it

1433
00:57:36,589 --> 00:57:35,099
in a really ironic way when you said we

1434
00:57:40,250 --> 00:57:36,599
think about these and we consider them

1435
00:57:43,190 --> 00:57:40,260
fairy tales right and what's ironic

1436
00:57:47,329 --> 00:57:44,809
conventionally the way we think about

1437
00:57:48,770 --> 00:57:47,339
that now the notion of a fairy tale is

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00:57:50,990 --> 00:57:48,780

that it's basically a fun Children's

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00:57:53,690 --> 00:57:51,000

Story to help them develop their

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00:57:55,910 --> 00:57:53,700

imagination but it has no basis in

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00:57:57,950 --> 00:57:55,920

reality right like we don't even like

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00:57:59,569 --> 00:57:57,960

the very way you use that term is the

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00:58:00,950 --> 00:57:59,579

conventional way that term is used which

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00:58:03,470 --> 00:58:00,960

is to say

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00:58:06,589 --> 00:58:03,480

made up fun stories that have no basis

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00:58:08,930 --> 00:58:06,599

in reality right and yet when you go

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00:58:10,609 --> 00:58:08,940

back and you read some of these case

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00:58:12,290 --> 00:58:10,619

studies that were actually

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00:58:14,809 --> 00:58:12,300

people with an early but pretty

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00:58:16,790 --> 00:58:14,819

established scientific mindset who would

1451
00:58:19,309 --> 00:58:16,800
study fairy lore you know like a couple

1452
00:58:21,230 --> 00:58:19,319
hundred years ago and

1453
00:58:23,870 --> 00:58:21,240
when you read those cases they're not

1454
00:58:28,089 --> 00:58:23,880
describing like kids making up or

1455
00:58:31,910 --> 00:58:28,099
hearing fun stories they're actually

1456
00:58:34,609 --> 00:58:31,920
interviewing people and cataloging data

1457
00:58:37,010 --> 00:58:34,619
of experiences with strange beings

1458
00:58:40,069 --> 00:58:37,020
either non-conventionally human or

1459
00:58:42,710 --> 00:58:40,079
non-human altogether right and again to

1460
00:58:45,289 --> 00:58:42,720
Jacques valet's credit he saw that wait

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00:58:46,670 --> 00:58:45,299
a second these ancient Tales of

1462
00:58:49,069 --> 00:58:46,680
experiencing

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00:58:52,910 --> 00:58:49,079

beings who are not human but appear to

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00:58:54,829 --> 00:58:52,920

be around our vicinity

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00:58:56,210 --> 00:58:54,839

and not only interact with us but

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00:58:57,950 --> 00:58:56,220

sometimes

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00:58:59,390 --> 00:58:57,960

the way we would describe it now is they

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00:59:01,370 --> 00:58:59,400

mess with our notion of space time

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00:59:02,809 --> 00:59:01,380

you'll have people who disappear for

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00:59:05,569 --> 00:59:02,819

weeks on end

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00:59:06,829 --> 00:59:05,579

in fairy tales right and they show up on

1472

00:59:07,849 --> 00:59:06,839

their family and say where have you been

1473

00:59:09,289 --> 00:59:07,859

and they're like what do you mean it's

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00:59:11,170 --> 00:59:09,299

been like 20 minutes you're like no

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00:59:13,910 --> 00:59:11,180

you've been gone for two weeks

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00:59:16,010 --> 00:59:13,920

and again

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00:59:17,329 --> 00:59:16,020

years ago if you and I had heard stories

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00:59:18,890 --> 00:59:17,339

like that we would laugh and say that

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00:59:22,549 --> 00:59:18,900

that's a fun story of course that can't

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00:59:24,650 --> 00:59:22,559

happen now number two we we know based

1481

00:59:26,329 --> 00:59:24,660

on more modern Notions of space-time

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00:59:27,950 --> 00:59:26,339

that absolutely could happen

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00:59:30,289 --> 00:59:27,960

you could have a local space-time that's

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00:59:31,970 --> 00:59:30,299

different than relative space-time for

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00:59:34,309 --> 00:59:31,980

other people

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00:59:36,049 --> 00:59:34,319

um and that's that's again a feature of

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00:59:38,390 --> 00:59:36,059

the UFO phenomenon happens all the time

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00:59:41,150 --> 00:59:38,400

where where you have these

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00:59:43,309 --> 00:59:41,160

missing time things like that right uh

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00:59:45,829 --> 00:59:43,319

Missing time was again a feature of

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00:59:48,950 --> 00:59:45,839

fairy tales right and and by fairy tale

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00:59:51,289 --> 00:59:48,960

I mean that just literally being stories

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00:59:52,789 --> 00:59:51,299

about encounters with fairies uh I don't

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00:59:55,210 --> 00:59:52,799

know I don't mean it in a Snicker way I

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00:59:57,049 --> 00:59:55,220

mean in terms of right again

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00:59:58,010 --> 00:59:57,059

ultra-terrestrial beings you might want

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01:00:00,049 --> 00:59:58,020

to call them

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01:00:02,390 --> 01:00:00,059

that are having encounters with human

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01:00:04,250 --> 01:00:02,400

beings sometimes abducting them

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01:00:07,549 --> 01:00:04,260

sometimes they don't that human beings

1501
01:00:09,829 --> 01:00:07,559
never return sometimes they have sexual

1502
01:00:11,150 --> 01:00:09,839
relations with these other beings and

1503
01:00:13,430 --> 01:00:11,160
produce what we would consider now

1504
01:00:16,250 --> 01:00:13,440
hybrid beings within the UFO phenomenon

1505
01:00:19,010 --> 01:00:16,260
I mean this uh

1506
01:00:22,130 --> 01:00:19,020
this goes back so so far that we

1507
01:00:24,349 --> 01:00:22,140
actually now are forced to ask wait a

1508
01:00:26,270 --> 01:00:24,359
second are those Tails actually not so

1509
01:00:28,549 --> 01:00:26,280
made up after all are that not so

1510
01:00:30,589 --> 01:00:28,559
Fantastical but they're actually based

1511
01:00:32,930 --> 01:00:30,599
in reality somehow

1512
01:00:35,569 --> 01:00:32,940
um and yeah they are not really any

1513
01:00:38,390 --> 01:00:35,579

substantially different than

1514

01:00:39,890 --> 01:00:38,400

what was recounted in skin lockers of

1515

01:00:42,650 --> 01:00:39,900

the Pentagon like you said and and you

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01:00:45,010 --> 01:00:42,660

made a great point there that

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01:00:48,289 --> 01:00:45,020

most people or many people won't even

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01:00:51,530 --> 01:00:48,299

bother to reckon with those experiences

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01:00:54,890 --> 01:00:51,540

they hear Dino Beaver they hear six foot

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01:00:57,109 --> 01:00:54,900

tall you know standing on two legs wolf

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01:00:59,809 --> 01:00:57,119

being smoking a cigarette against a

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01:01:02,089 --> 01:00:59,819

light post and they go

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01:01:04,370 --> 01:01:02,099

yeah the whole thing's bunk there's no

1524

01:01:07,250 --> 01:01:04,380

way that that there's any possibility

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01:01:08,809 --> 01:01:07,260

that could be true therefore these

1526
01:01:11,510 --> 01:01:08,819
people that are reporting any of these

1527
01:01:14,329 --> 01:01:11,520
events even more standard UFO kind of

1528
01:01:17,450 --> 01:01:14,339
events can't be taken seriously right it

1529
01:01:19,430 --> 01:01:17,460
just de facto that that is now excluded

1530
01:01:22,250 --> 01:01:19,440
from consideration

1531
01:01:26,150 --> 01:01:22,260
this is again what this phenomenon does

1532
01:01:30,410 --> 01:01:26,160
is it presents these bizarre elements of

1533
01:01:32,890 --> 01:01:30,420
reality where whether you call it

1534
01:01:34,970 --> 01:01:32,900
I mean the way that I've described it is

1535
01:01:37,609 --> 01:01:34,980
interpenetrating fields of mentation

1536
01:01:40,490 --> 01:01:37,619
that ultimately reality is a construct

1537
01:01:43,370 --> 01:01:40,500
that's ultimately kind of a mind

1538
01:01:45,049 --> 01:01:43,380

derived experience and in the same way

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01:01:47,870 --> 01:01:45,059

that you have a dream and everything

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01:01:49,609 --> 01:01:47,880

feels physical and real and if you fall

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01:01:51,950 --> 01:01:49,619

off your bike in a dream it hurts just

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01:01:54,349 --> 01:01:51,960

like it does in the real world so it's

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01:01:57,170 --> 01:01:54,359

again it's internally consistent but

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01:01:59,809 --> 01:01:57,180

what we sometimes have is

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01:02:01,730 --> 01:01:59,819

not these hard rigid lines between

1546

01:02:05,210 --> 01:02:01,740

different reality constructs but there

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01:02:06,849 --> 01:02:05,220

are certain times where you have overlap

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01:02:09,650 --> 01:02:06,859

you have interplay you have

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01:02:12,289 --> 01:02:09,660

interpenetration right and this was

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01:02:14,210 --> 01:02:12,299

again a major feature of

1551
01:02:16,309 --> 01:02:14,220
stories of the UFO phenomenon in even

1552
01:02:19,130 --> 01:02:16,319
early in in the 20th century

1553
01:02:21,710 --> 01:02:19,140
this notion that these others would tell

1554
01:02:23,089 --> 01:02:21,720
human beings there are interpenetrating

1555
01:02:26,030 --> 01:02:23,099
realities that you're a part of right

1556
01:02:28,190 --> 01:02:26,040
now reality is multi-dimensional even

1557
01:02:30,410 --> 01:02:28,200
when you detonate atomic bombs you are

1558
01:02:31,910 --> 01:02:30,420
doing things interdimensionally that you

1559
01:02:34,670 --> 01:02:31,920
don't understand yet because you have no

1560
01:02:37,309 --> 01:02:34,680
notion yet of the complexity of reality

1561
01:02:40,609 --> 01:02:37,319
so this is really what we have to reckon

1562
01:02:42,650 --> 01:02:40,619
with this is to me for me I I have been

1563
01:02:44,750 --> 01:02:42,660

around this long enough now that this is

1564

01:02:48,230 --> 01:02:44,760

exciting to me this um

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01:02:49,910 --> 01:02:48,240

this is worth exploring and I don't uh

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01:02:52,670 --> 01:02:49,920

exclude that kind of data anymore and

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01:02:55,309 --> 01:02:52,680

I'm kind of come around like Bernardo

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01:02:57,829 --> 01:02:55,319

castrup and uh Ann strieber in terms of

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01:03:00,230 --> 01:02:57,839

if experiences don't have some element

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01:03:04,910 --> 01:03:00,240

of strangeness then I'm not sure they're

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01:03:09,109 --> 01:03:06,890

to me presents a challenge how do we get

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01:03:11,809 --> 01:03:09,119

from where we are now

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01:03:14,210 --> 01:03:11,819

uh the models that were

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01:03:17,589 --> 01:03:14,220

they're most prevalent in our culture to

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01:03:20,230 --> 01:03:17,599

models that can better incorporate

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01:03:23,390 --> 01:03:20,240

elements of high strangeness

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01:03:25,970 --> 01:03:23,400

and treat them seriously

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01:03:28,849 --> 01:03:25,980

I think we have a tremendous hurdle

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01:03:30,950 --> 01:03:28,859

there to overcome

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01:03:32,870 --> 01:03:30,960

um because

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01:03:35,170 --> 01:03:32,880

you know gets to one of the sort of

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01:03:38,150 --> 01:03:35,180

fundamental aspects of our science that

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01:03:41,690 --> 01:03:38,160

reproducibility component that would

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01:03:44,630 --> 01:03:41,700

really can't quite get here

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01:03:48,430 --> 01:03:44,640

um and so we're having to to Really

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01:03:51,170 --> 01:03:48,440

grapple with the highly subjective

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01:03:54,170 --> 01:03:51,180

nature of these experiences and then and

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01:03:55,329 --> 01:03:54,180

then drawing meaningful conclusions from

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01:03:59,510 --> 01:03:55,339

them

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01:04:02,630 --> 01:03:59,520

and I think too we have uh we've come to

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01:04:05,089 --> 01:04:02,640

a place where our thinking is

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01:04:08,870 --> 01:04:05,099

is so

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01:04:12,130 --> 01:04:08,880

uh prescriptive not at an individual

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01:04:16,730 --> 01:04:12,140

level but as a societal level like we we

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01:04:19,250 --> 01:04:16,740

personal truth is not as important as

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01:04:22,309 --> 01:04:19,260

the things that we can learn that we

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01:04:25,430 --> 01:04:22,319

that can influence us as a as a global

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01:04:29,109 --> 01:04:25,440

civilization via things like technology

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01:04:33,130 --> 01:04:29,119

and so uh in some ways for me

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01:04:36,230 --> 01:04:33,140

incorporating High strangeness and and

1601
01:04:40,849 --> 01:04:36,240
non-duality into my way of thinking it

1602
01:04:42,670 --> 01:04:40,859
it kind of pushes me away from this uh

1603
01:04:45,890 --> 01:04:42,680
um

1604
01:04:47,690 --> 01:04:45,900
older way of thinking and really puts

1605
01:04:50,450 --> 01:04:47,700
the spotlight on the individual

1606
01:04:52,190 --> 01:04:50,460
experience in a strange way right it's a

1607
01:04:54,410 --> 01:04:52,200
little bit ironic because

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01:04:56,750 --> 01:04:54,420
with non-duality it's not really about

1609
01:04:58,789 --> 01:04:56,760
you know me and you it's we're really

1610
01:05:00,589 --> 01:04:58,799
connected at a fundamental level but at

1611
01:05:03,710 --> 01:05:00,599
the same time that's what I'm getting at

1612
01:05:05,809 --> 01:05:03,720
here is that we take very seriously the

1613
01:05:09,890 --> 01:05:05,819

experiences that we have as individuals

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01:05:12,589 --> 01:05:09,900

and we place a kind of Primacy on them

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01:05:15,210 --> 01:05:12,599

um that we we just don't

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01:05:15,770 --> 01:05:15,220

in our in our current way of thinking

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01:05:16,430 --> 01:05:15,780

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01:05:19,250 --> 01:05:16,440

um

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but how does that work you know sort of

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01:05:23,390 --> 01:05:21,480

macroscopically I mean or should it even

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01:05:25,730 --> 01:05:23,400

work that way right should it even

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01:05:27,650 --> 01:05:25,740

should these unique things that happen

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01:05:30,289 --> 01:05:27,660

that are so strange

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01:05:33,049 --> 01:05:30,299

you know should they act in such a way

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01:05:34,990 --> 01:05:33,059

if we were to or to analyze them and

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01:05:39,589 --> 01:05:35,000

take them all seriously should they

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01:05:42,650 --> 01:05:39,599

change our society in in a uniform way

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01:05:44,930 --> 01:05:42,660

or have an effect on it and if so like

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01:05:47,870 --> 01:05:44,940

what what is the effect there

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01:05:49,849 --> 01:05:47,880

what are the learnings from that

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01:05:52,309 --> 01:05:49,859

well the first thing I would say and

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01:05:53,690 --> 01:05:52,319

this relates to my presentation in New

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01:05:55,250 --> 01:05:53,700

York

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01:05:57,770 --> 01:05:55,260

is that

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01:06:00,650 --> 01:05:57,780

what I did when I got to the point where

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01:06:02,270 --> 01:06:00,660

I was coming across all of these

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01:06:03,650 --> 01:06:02,280

descriptions of really strange

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01:06:05,089 --> 01:06:03,660

encounters

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01:06:07,490 --> 01:06:05,099

was

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go outside the UFO phenomenon get away

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01:06:11,870 --> 01:06:10,740

from the literature look at other fields

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01:06:14,690 --> 01:06:11,880

of inquiry

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and see if there was anything else in

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other fields other scientific endeavors

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01:06:23,089 --> 01:06:19,799

that

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01:06:25,430 --> 01:06:23,099

would lend support to the validity of

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01:06:27,710 --> 01:06:25,440

these experiences or even lend some

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01:06:29,450 --> 01:06:27,720

explanation potentially as to what's

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01:06:31,730 --> 01:06:29,460

going on

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01:06:34,309 --> 01:06:31,740

people often lean on you know Quantum

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01:06:36,529 --> 01:06:34,319

everything right so uh people who are

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01:06:39,710 --> 01:06:36,539

into everything from new age to the UFO

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01:06:41,270 --> 01:06:39,720

phenomenon to Consciousness studies

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01:06:43,789 --> 01:06:41,280

like to just say everything's Quantum

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01:06:45,109 --> 01:06:43,799

right like Quantum grocery shopping is

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01:06:47,390 --> 01:06:45,119

fun to do

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01:06:48,829 --> 01:06:47,400

um problem solved that's right

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01:06:51,289 --> 01:06:48,839

but

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01:06:53,289 --> 01:06:51,299

what was fascinating to me is that I did

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01:06:56,029 --> 01:06:53,299

indeed find

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01:06:57,829 --> 01:06:56,039

investigations and evidence and

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01:07:00,890 --> 01:06:57,839

substantive data in other fields of

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01:07:03,049 --> 01:07:00,900

inquiry that support

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01:07:06,230 --> 01:07:03,059

the reality of these claims the reality

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01:07:08,150 --> 01:07:06,240

of these described experiences

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01:07:11,210 --> 01:07:08,160

um you know Donald Hoffman we've talked

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01:07:13,549 --> 01:07:11,220

about several times in this podcast

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01:07:15,349 --> 01:07:13,559

pretty boldly says that we do not

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01:07:17,809 --> 01:07:15,359

experience reality

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01:07:21,829 --> 01:07:17,819

directly what we experience is more like

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01:07:25,670 --> 01:07:21,839

an interface with icons that only very

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01:07:27,529 --> 01:07:25,680

Loosely and non-literally reference a

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01:07:29,569 --> 01:07:27,539

deeper reality structure for which we

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01:07:31,730 --> 01:07:29,579

never interact directly at least in our

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01:07:34,549 --> 01:07:31,740

waking experience right

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01:07:35,750 --> 01:07:34,559
so when you look at it that way suddenly

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01:07:37,370 --> 01:07:35,760
you say

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01:07:39,170 --> 01:07:37,380
well it's not like we're experiencing

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01:07:41,630 --> 01:07:39,180
reality as it is and then we get some

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01:07:43,730 --> 01:07:41,640
weird stuff that is interjected what

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01:07:45,049 --> 01:07:43,740
he's saying is that everything we see

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01:07:49,069 --> 01:07:45,059
around each other

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01:07:52,370 --> 01:07:49,079
and around us is an icon that the

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01:07:54,589 --> 01:07:52,380
process of evolution has used to allow

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01:07:57,589 --> 01:07:54,599
us to interact with that deeper reality

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01:08:00,650 --> 01:07:57,599
but that deeper reality is so complex so

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01:08:02,630 --> 01:08:00,660
overwhelming that if we were to pay

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01:08:04,250 --> 01:08:02,640

attention to all of that data we would

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01:08:07,370 --> 01:08:04,260

be driven to Extinction and so they've

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done these simulations with evolutionary

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Game Theory where you can run hundreds

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01:08:13,069 --> 01:08:11,460

or thousands of simulations and what

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01:08:15,650 --> 01:08:13,079

they find is

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01:08:18,650 --> 01:08:15,660

the beings that actually try to take in

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01:08:20,510 --> 01:08:18,660

the OR account for all of that data were

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01:08:23,209 --> 01:08:20,520

driven to Extinction whereas the ones

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01:08:25,249 --> 01:08:23,219

that developed shortcuts ways of

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01:08:27,709 --> 01:08:25,259

knowing just enough to stay alive and

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01:08:29,510 --> 01:08:27,719

reproduce were sure enough able to do

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01:08:32,510 --> 01:08:29,520

that and therefore

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01:08:34,430 --> 01:08:32,520

you know just by an extension of that

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01:08:37,849 --> 01:08:34,440

people like you and I

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01:08:40,550 --> 01:08:37,859

are the progeny of ancestors who learn

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01:08:42,950 --> 01:08:40,560

those shortcuts so already we know

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01:08:46,789 --> 01:08:42,960

there's really no question here it's not

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01:08:49,309 --> 01:08:46,799

like we we have a 60 percent you know uh

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01:08:50,450 --> 01:08:49,319

accurate display of what's actually

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01:08:52,309 --> 01:08:50,460

going on

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01:08:54,410 --> 01:08:52,319

what Hoffman will say and again this is

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01:08:56,329 --> 01:08:54,420

backed up with mathematical theorems

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01:08:58,249 --> 01:08:56,339

this is not just wishful thinking here

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01:09:02,329 --> 01:08:58,259

says that the chances that what we see

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01:09:05,090 --> 01:09:02,339

is actual reality is precisely zero we

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01:09:06,709 --> 01:09:05,100

do not see reality as it is it exists

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01:09:08,090 --> 01:09:06,719

there is a deeper structure we just

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01:09:09,470 --> 01:09:08,100

don't interact with it directly

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01:09:11,510 --> 01:09:09,480

especially in our waking experience

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01:09:14,930 --> 01:09:11,520

again I think in

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01:09:17,630 --> 01:09:14,940

astral travel lucid dreams psychedelic

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01:09:19,970 --> 01:09:17,640

Journeys we can actually meditation even

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01:09:21,890 --> 01:09:19,980

we can experience that broader reality

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01:09:22,729 --> 01:09:21,900

and as I mentioned in my talk in New

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01:09:25,189 --> 01:09:22,739

York

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01:09:28,130 --> 01:09:25,199

interestingly these others

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01:09:29,689 --> 01:09:28,140

when they seem to choose these Prime

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01:09:31,370 --> 01:09:29,699

contact these these people are going to

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01:09:34,550 --> 01:09:31,380

have a lifetime of really profound

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01:09:36,890 --> 01:09:34,560

experience with them they will often

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01:09:39,410 --> 01:09:36,900

again enter the consciousness of these

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01:09:42,590 --> 01:09:39,420

people when they're adolescents and

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01:09:44,930 --> 01:09:42,600

basically prep them to learn meditative

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01:09:48,709 --> 01:09:44,940

practices so that becomes the protocol

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01:09:50,150 --> 01:09:48,719

the the means of communication with this

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01:09:52,729 --> 01:09:50,160

deeper reality where many of these

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01:09:54,950 --> 01:09:52,739

others usually dwell right they can come

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01:09:56,750 --> 01:09:54,960

into our construct the same way that you

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01:09:57,950 --> 01:09:56,760

can send me an email and it can show up

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01:10:00,410 --> 01:09:57,960

in my desktop

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01:10:02,870 --> 01:10:00,420

right but

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01:10:04,130 --> 01:10:02,880

that's the level that it's you need to

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01:10:05,510 --> 01:10:04,140

think about when they come into our

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01:10:08,810 --> 01:10:05,520

physical reality it's the same way that

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01:10:10,970 --> 01:10:08,820

Nathan sends Darren an email right

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01:10:14,930 --> 01:10:12,830

and then even with physics right so I

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01:10:17,270 --> 01:10:14,940

again in my talk I talked about Nima

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akani Hamed who's a physicist at

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Princeton and how he uh

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01:10:25,250 --> 01:10:21,420

has

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01:10:27,229 --> 01:10:25,260

basically shown that space-time is not

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01:10:28,910 --> 01:10:27,239

really there it's the way he would

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describe it I think people sometimes get

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01:10:33,950 --> 01:10:31,140

confused by the language when we say

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01:10:35,570 --> 01:10:33,960

things like space time is doomed when he

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01:10:38,330 --> 01:10:35,580

says that when a physicist says that

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01:10:41,030 --> 01:10:38,340

what they mean is it's not really there

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01:10:43,189 --> 01:10:41,040

that what we experience is an

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01:10:45,950 --> 01:10:43,199

approximation a derivative of some

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01:10:48,410 --> 01:10:45,960

deeper process and the way that we can

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01:10:50,209 --> 01:10:48,420

tell that it's not really there is by

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01:10:52,370 --> 01:10:50,219

the process of measurement again this is

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01:10:54,530 --> 01:10:52,380

where science is so great because unlike

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01:10:56,030 --> 01:10:54,540

people's wishful thinking it tells you

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01:10:58,550 --> 01:10:56,040

precisely where you're correct and

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01:11:00,169 --> 01:10:58,560

precisely where you're wrong and when

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01:11:02,090 --> 01:11:00,179

you try to measure things at the really

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01:11:03,530 --> 01:11:02,100

small scale

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01:11:07,310 --> 01:11:03,540

like what they're doing with a Large

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01:11:09,770 --> 01:11:07,320

Hadron Collider and CERN what we find is

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you have to use so much energy energy to

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01:11:13,850 --> 01:11:11,940

measure a really really small space that

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01:11:16,130 --> 01:11:13,860

you end up collapsing that small space

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01:11:18,350 --> 01:11:16,140

into a black hole

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01:11:20,630 --> 01:11:18,360

and on the other end of the spectrum

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01:11:22,850 --> 01:11:20,640

when you get to the event horizon of a

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01:11:25,850 --> 01:11:22,860

black hole this massive or sorry super

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01:11:28,910 --> 01:11:25,860

dense object space time as we understand

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01:11:30,770 --> 01:11:28,920

it becomes incoherent beyond the

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01:11:32,090 --> 01:11:30,780

boundary of that black hole Beyond The

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01:11:35,149 --> 01:11:32,100

Event Horizon

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01:11:37,010 --> 01:11:35,159

so what physics and science has taught

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01:11:39,530 --> 01:11:37,020

us in the past is when we come across

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01:11:42,410 --> 01:11:39,540

those kinds of boundaries where we can

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01:11:44,090 --> 01:11:42,420

no longer even in principle conceive of

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01:11:47,390 --> 01:11:44,100

an experiment

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it's telling us bluntly that that is

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01:11:52,010 --> 01:11:49,679

actually an approximation a derivative

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01:11:53,870 --> 01:11:52,020

of some deeper structure that what we're

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01:11:56,930 --> 01:11:53,880

actually measuring at that level is not

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01:11:59,630 --> 01:11:56,940

really there it's more like a

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01:12:01,729 --> 01:11:59,640

um again an approximation a derivative

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01:12:04,790 --> 01:12:01,739

of some deeper process so it works

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01:12:07,130 --> 01:12:04,800

within certain boundaries but ultimately

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01:12:09,290 --> 01:12:07,140

cannot be real because even in principle

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01:12:10,729 --> 01:12:09,300

it breaks down at certain points which

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01:12:13,189 --> 01:12:10,739

tells you actually some deeper

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01:12:15,430 --> 01:12:13,199

structures what's really present in

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01:12:18,649 --> 01:12:15,440

reality that's what reality actually is

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01:12:21,229 --> 01:12:18,659

and already there are signs

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01:12:23,510 --> 01:12:21,239

um of evidence of this deeper structure

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01:12:25,370 --> 01:12:23,520

that you can even find out in some of

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01:12:28,310 --> 01:12:25,380
the math so we might take hundreds of

1802
01:12:30,950 --> 01:12:28,320
pages of algebra to describe some sort

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01:12:33,169 --> 01:12:30,960
of exp small event in space time right

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01:12:36,229 --> 01:12:33,179
it takes hundreds of pages

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01:12:38,149 --> 01:12:36,239
of algebraic equations to explain and

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01:12:41,030 --> 01:12:38,159
yet if you remember from high school

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01:12:42,890 --> 01:12:41,040
math or college math when you can reduce

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01:12:44,870 --> 01:12:42,900
your numbers and you can sort of

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01:12:47,330 --> 01:12:44,880
collapse that equation to a much simpler

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01:12:49,130 --> 01:12:47,340
common denominator that's kind of what

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01:12:51,649 --> 01:12:49,140
they've been able to do and they've been

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01:12:53,870 --> 01:12:51,659
able to show with something called the

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01:12:55,669 --> 01:12:53,880

amplitohedrin which is a geometric

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01:12:58,130 --> 01:12:55,679

structure

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01:13:00,649 --> 01:12:58,140

how all of the

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01:13:04,189 --> 01:13:00,659

elements of quantum theory and space

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01:13:06,290 --> 01:13:04,199

time can be projected out from this

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01:13:08,570 --> 01:13:06,300

notion of an amplitohedron which is

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01:13:10,669 --> 01:13:08,580

again a geometric structure so in other

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01:13:13,910 --> 01:13:10,679

words they found this much simpler more

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01:13:17,450 --> 01:13:13,920

elegant way of describing reality

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01:13:20,330 --> 01:13:17,460

which would as a byproduct produce

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01:13:22,370 --> 01:13:20,340

space-time and quantum theory so in

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01:13:25,490 --> 01:13:22,380

other words the the interface we live

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01:13:27,590 --> 01:13:25,500

within that Hoffman talks about is

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01:13:29,330 --> 01:13:27,600
a projection of this deeper structure we

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01:13:32,750 --> 01:13:29,340
even have evidence

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01:13:35,810 --> 01:13:32,760
now of what that deeper structure might

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01:13:38,630 --> 01:13:35,820
be even though it's likely not spatial

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01:13:40,729 --> 01:13:38,640
temporal at all so to me this is

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01:13:42,890 --> 01:13:40,739
fascinating

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01:13:44,630 --> 01:13:42,900
work and this is where my focus has

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01:13:45,950 --> 01:13:44,640
really been the ultimate nature of

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01:13:47,689 --> 01:13:45,960
reality

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01:13:49,610 --> 01:13:47,699
and my last point is what's of course

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01:13:51,950 --> 01:13:49,620
fascinating about this is it agrees with

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01:13:55,010 --> 01:13:51,960
so much of ancient esoteric Eastern

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01:13:58,010 --> 01:13:55,020

spirituality around reality being more

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01:13:59,930 --> 01:13:58,020

like a thought a mentation process that

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01:14:01,790 --> 01:13:59,940

everything we think about in the

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01:14:03,770 --> 01:14:01,800

phenomological world is actually an

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illusion ultimately and some deeper

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process is what's really real and that

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as Hoffman would say Consciousness is

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perhaps the Bedrock behind all of it

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do you think that our

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fixation on physicalism it has been a uh

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like

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a Fool's errand or an unwise sort of

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path or do you think that it's it has

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value in and of itself that it adds

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something

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to our understanding of I the idealistic

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01:14:40,630 --> 01:14:37,159

Viewpoint that

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you know it was it was it was it was it

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01:14:45,950 --> 01:14:43,199

sort of not necessary for us to chase

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01:14:48,290 --> 01:14:45,960

all of this technology and and you know

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science and we would we have been better

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01:14:54,410 --> 01:14:51,840

off had we adopted the idealistic

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worldview instead or do you see this

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01:15:01,130 --> 01:14:58,140

more uh you know sort of inclusive that

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uh we in order to kind of appreciate it

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we needed to go through this journey

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first and foremost and incorporate some

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01:15:12,229 --> 01:15:09,960

of the learnings from materialism into

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01:15:14,390 --> 01:15:12,239

our worldview how do you kind of

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bring these things together

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yeah it's a good question

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01:15:20,750 --> 01:15:19,140

I think that

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as I've pointed out a couple times

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before

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the reason why

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physicalism has had such sway

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and has become such a dominant Paradigm

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to the point where it becomes

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unquestioned right the same way that

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religious Dogma was in the past

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is because it's been so powerfully

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transformative for our civilization

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right we've extended our lifetimes

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considerably we die of infectious

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diseases far less than we used to

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we now have probes that are you know now

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beyond our solar system we have robot

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Rovers on Mars we have cell phones we

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01:16:05,350 --> 01:15:59,400

have televisions refrigerators the

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01:16:10,490 --> 01:16:05,360

internet all of these Modern Marvels are

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or at least are produced by

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the powerful way we've been able to

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01:16:19,729 --> 01:16:17,940

model nature how it be how it behaves

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and by doing that we've been able to

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with predictive power uh manipulate the

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way that nature behaves right because we

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can predict it and once we know how it's

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going to behave we can use that to to

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change our experience of of reality

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setting quotes right

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but

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you've talked about this before in

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previous conversations I think you've

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been on our last last episode

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and yet in the midst of all those Modern

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Marvels

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that are you know

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quantitatively and qualitatively

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impacting of our experience of reality

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there's a meaning crisis right we we

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01:16:59,990 --> 01:16:56,460

have all these great shiny objects but

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you know meat socks that are nothing

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more than

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the byproduct of

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neuronal Connections in a in the gray

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matter of our physical brain and when

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that deteriorates and dies there's

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01:17:16,550 --> 01:17:14,940

nothing to us

1916

01:17:18,830 --> 01:17:16,560

which of course begs the question what's

1917

01:17:21,229 --> 01:17:18,840

the point of shiny fun objects if

1918

01:17:22,910 --> 01:17:21,239

there's no meaning behind it all and if

1919

01:17:24,590 --> 01:17:22,920

you think that you're basically a blink

1920

01:17:27,470 --> 01:17:24,600

of an eye and then you're you're

1921

01:17:28,970 --> 01:17:27,480

non-existent as and nothing within a

1922

01:17:31,689 --> 01:17:28,980

couple Generations no one will ever know

1923

01:17:34,790 --> 01:17:31,699

you existed there's no point to it all

1924

01:17:38,750 --> 01:17:34,800

we try in mainstream culture to find

1925

01:17:42,229 --> 01:17:38,760

ways to talk about meaning in more you

1926

01:17:44,810 --> 01:17:42,239

know location specific temporally

1927

01:17:46,149 --> 01:17:44,820

specific ways because we we know in the

1928

01:17:48,890 --> 01:17:46,159

background that there's nothing

1929

01:17:51,229 --> 01:17:48,900

ultimately real about our Consciousness

1930

01:17:53,570 --> 01:17:51,239

things like that so you really can get

1931

01:17:56,090 --> 01:17:53,580

to the point where you ask the question

1932

01:17:58,090 --> 01:17:56,100

are are we better off and in what ways

1933

01:18:00,890 --> 01:17:58,100

are we better off or what have we traded

1934

01:18:03,950 --> 01:18:00,900

uh in exchange for these modern marbles

1935

01:18:06,229 --> 01:18:03,960

you know I think that um

1936

01:18:08,750 --> 01:18:06,239

it may be that at least for our species

1937

01:18:10,130 --> 01:18:08,760

it's a necessary step that we ironically

1938

01:18:12,470 --> 01:18:10,140

had to go from

1939

01:18:15,229 --> 01:18:12,480

idealism being kind of the the Mainstay

1940

01:18:17,709 --> 01:18:15,239

to then embracing physicalism until we

1941

01:18:20,090 --> 01:18:17,719

hit the boundaries and then realized

1942

01:18:21,770 --> 01:18:20,100

ironically after all that

1943

01:18:24,229 --> 01:18:21,780

that idealism actually is the better

1944

01:18:25,490 --> 01:18:24,239

notion and that

1945

01:18:27,229 --> 01:18:25,500

um what we were actually manipulating

1946

01:18:29,570 --> 01:18:27,239

was a sort of middle state or a

1947

01:18:32,450 --> 01:18:29,580

derivative state of some deeper reality

1948

01:18:34,070 --> 01:18:32,460

hopefully what will happen is that the

1949

01:18:36,709 --> 01:18:34,080

two will kind of be married together and

1950

01:18:39,050 --> 01:18:36,719

that we can take the best of what

1951

01:18:41,330 --> 01:18:39,060

physical physicalism has given us in

1952

01:18:44,030 --> 01:18:41,340

terms of Transforming Our physical

1953

01:18:46,970 --> 01:18:44,040

reality exciting quotes while also

1954

01:18:48,530 --> 01:18:46,980

recognizing and re-embracing the

1955

01:18:50,689 --> 01:18:48,540

Enchantment of life and the ultimate

1956

01:18:53,090 --> 01:18:50,699

meaning of our Consciousness and the

1957

01:18:55,130 --> 01:18:53,100

permanent nature the Eternal nature of

1958

01:18:58,310 --> 01:18:55,140

who we are and how that connects with

1959

01:19:01,130 --> 01:18:58,320

this substrate of Consciousness itself

1960

01:19:05,209 --> 01:19:01,140

well then this gets to I guess the

1961

01:19:08,209 --> 01:19:05,219

agenda or agendas perhaps of these other

1962

01:19:10,310 --> 01:19:08,219

intelligences that I think we would

1963

01:19:13,669 --> 01:19:10,320

argue

1964

01:19:16,070 --> 01:19:13,679

have had this type of awareness may have

1965

01:19:19,669 --> 01:19:16,080

gone through even a similar uh conscious

1966

01:19:21,770 --> 01:19:19,679

development of their own uh they may in

1967

01:19:25,669 --> 01:19:21,780

fact be trying to guide us on our

1968

01:19:27,290 --> 01:19:25,679

journey uh to maybe avoid some of the

1969

01:19:30,290 --> 01:19:27,300

same pitfalls that they themselves

1970

01:19:32,870 --> 01:19:30,300

perhaps made or give us opportunity to

1971

01:19:35,750 --> 01:19:32,880

avoid them we may still avoid them

1972

01:19:38,030 --> 01:19:35,760

um or we we may still make them uh so

1973

01:19:40,430 --> 01:19:38,040

what do you make of that uh with the

1974

01:19:42,890 --> 01:19:40,440

different kinds of intelligences that we

1975

01:19:45,590 --> 01:19:42,900

hear about and and what they're up to

1976

01:19:48,470 --> 01:19:45,600

and where we might be going here

1977

01:19:50,870 --> 01:19:48,480

I'm glad you asked that because I think

1978

01:19:53,270 --> 01:19:50,880

when you think about

1979

01:19:55,430 --> 01:19:53,280

these matters in this broader

1980

01:19:56,630 --> 01:19:55,440

perspective it does change the equation

1981

01:19:59,030 --> 01:19:56,640

so

1982

01:20:01,669 --> 01:19:59,040

for instance if you are wedded to a

1983

01:20:04,070 --> 01:20:01,679

physicalist model of reality

1984

01:20:07,370 --> 01:20:04,080

and you think therefore that listen

1985

01:20:10,790 --> 01:20:07,380

human civilization and the planet we

1986

01:20:14,689 --> 01:20:10,800

exist on is in a a rough spot you know

1987

01:20:17,510 --> 01:20:14,699

with climate change with

1988

01:20:19,430 --> 01:20:17,520

the fact that we have ever more powerful

1989

01:20:20,870 --> 01:20:19,440

weapons and yet not a growth in

1990

01:20:23,149 --> 01:20:20,880

Consciousness that

1991

01:20:25,490 --> 01:20:23,159

thinks deeply about the impact of those

1992

01:20:28,370 --> 01:20:25,500

weapons not only potentially on our

1993

01:20:29,330 --> 01:20:28,380

existential future but the biosphere in

1994

01:20:32,030 --> 01:20:29,340

general

1995

01:20:35,689 --> 01:20:32,040

if you think only in those terms then

1996

01:20:37,550 --> 01:20:35,699

you could easily say listen others why

1997

01:20:40,250 --> 01:20:37,560

don't you step in like yesterday please

1998

01:20:43,130 --> 01:20:40,260

because I know

1999

01:20:45,229 --> 01:20:43,140

we are on the verge of potentially

2000

01:20:47,810 --> 01:20:45,239

having an extinction level event that's

2001
01:20:50,330 --> 01:20:47,820
that's self you know self-performed

2002
01:20:53,030 --> 01:20:50,340
basically right mass suicide

2003
01:20:54,649 --> 01:20:53,040
uh basically based on our discrepancy

2004
01:20:57,709 --> 01:20:54,659
between our level of Consciousness and

2005
01:20:59,870 --> 01:20:57,719
our technological development

2006
01:21:02,149 --> 01:20:59,880
that makes some sense if that is your

2007
01:21:04,610 --> 01:21:02,159
model of reality but if your model of

2008
01:21:07,250 --> 01:21:04,620
reality is that

2009
01:21:09,290 --> 01:21:07,260
this lifetime is just one of many

2010
01:21:10,910 --> 01:21:09,300
and that the lessons we learn here are

2011
01:21:12,830 --> 01:21:10,920
more important than the particular

2012
01:21:14,450 --> 01:21:12,840
iteration whether it's this iteration or

2013
01:21:15,530 --> 01:21:14,460

every other iteration we've been a part

2014

01:21:17,990 --> 01:21:15,540

of

2015

01:21:20,030 --> 01:21:18,000

then suddenly you say

2016

01:21:21,590 --> 01:21:20,040

perhaps and I know this will be shocking

2017

01:21:23,930 --> 01:21:21,600

to some people but this is the way I

2018

01:21:27,050 --> 01:21:23,940

think and this is even again I would say

2019

01:21:28,910 --> 01:21:27,060

what's been communicated to me with the

2020

01:21:31,130 --> 01:21:28,920

others that I have been in contact with

2021

01:21:33,950 --> 01:21:31,140

is that it would be more important for

2022

01:21:37,130 --> 01:21:33,960

us to learn the lesson of an extinction

2023

01:21:39,590 --> 01:21:37,140

level event of an entire species than to

2024

01:21:41,209 --> 01:21:39,600

be rescued by kind of this nanny state

2025

01:21:43,010 --> 01:21:41,219

of these others who came in and

2026

01:21:46,070 --> 01:21:43,020

basically

2027

01:21:49,010 --> 01:21:46,080

had to take over like an occupying Force

2028

01:21:51,290 --> 01:21:49,020

in order to Keep Us Alive and keep us

2029

01:21:55,310 --> 01:21:51,300

going because what I'm saying is that

2030

01:21:57,110 --> 01:21:55,320

staying alive is not really the most

2031

01:21:58,850 --> 01:21:57,120

important thing of all what matters is

2032

01:22:01,310 --> 01:21:58,860

matters is the lessons you learn because

2033

01:22:04,610 --> 01:22:01,320

we are Eternal beings

2034

01:22:06,050 --> 01:22:04,620

so even if we get wiped off the face of

2035

01:22:08,630 --> 01:22:06,060

the planet in this iteration there will

2036

01:22:10,070 --> 01:22:08,640

be other iterations so it's a really

2037

01:22:11,450 --> 01:22:10,080

important question you ask because I

2038

01:22:12,890 --> 01:22:11,460

think that

2039

01:22:14,450 --> 01:22:12,900

when you think about the nature of

2040

01:22:16,550 --> 01:22:14,460

reality when you think about how this

2041

01:22:19,250 --> 01:22:16,560

may be just one lifetime of many

2042

01:22:21,770 --> 01:22:19,260

that we even having experiences as human

2043

01:22:24,530 --> 01:22:21,780

beings is not our only possibility that

2044

01:22:26,209 --> 01:22:24,540

we also have histories and Futures where

2045

01:22:27,890 --> 01:22:26,219

we will be something other than a human

2046

01:22:29,090 --> 01:22:27,900

being perhaps a gray alien something

2047

01:22:31,910 --> 01:22:29,100

else

2048

01:22:33,229 --> 01:22:31,920

then suddenly it changes the equation it

2049

01:22:35,330 --> 01:22:33,239

makes it

2050

01:22:37,729 --> 01:22:35,340

more acceptable I think for people to

2051

01:22:39,950 --> 01:22:37,739

recognize that they may be trying to

2052

01:22:42,830 --> 01:22:39,960

facilitate the learning of those

2053

01:22:44,930 --> 01:22:42,840

important lessons that are

2054

01:22:46,729 --> 01:22:44,940

that stretch over many lifetimes rather

2055

01:22:49,490 --> 01:22:46,739

than being focused on what's happening

2056

01:22:51,709 --> 01:22:49,500

in our particular iteration at this time

2057

01:22:55,610 --> 01:22:51,719

and space what do you think

2058

01:22:58,430 --> 01:22:55,620

yeah well I do like the uh

2059

01:23:01,790 --> 01:22:58,440

the sort of evolutionary

2060

01:23:03,770 --> 01:23:01,800

model of conscious awareness that that I

2061

01:23:06,169 --> 01:23:03,780

think entails

2062

01:23:08,990 --> 01:23:06,179

um uh you know but I also think about

2063

01:23:14,330 --> 01:23:12,470

sort of vast scope of life on Earth so

2064

01:23:17,750 --> 01:23:14,340

not just our own you know Human

2065

01:23:20,149 --> 01:23:17,760

Experience but the experience of of uh

2066

01:23:23,090 --> 01:23:20,159

of the planet and and the smallest

2067

01:23:25,130 --> 01:23:23,100

organisms to the largest and uh you know

2068

01:23:27,110 --> 01:23:25,140

how that fits into the in the in the

2069

01:23:29,510 --> 01:23:27,120

overall puzzle and I know that it does

2070

01:23:32,149 --> 01:23:29,520

and so that you know as we've talked

2071

01:23:34,610 --> 01:23:32,159

about before when looking at the world

2072

01:23:39,050 --> 01:23:34,620

and reality from the standpoint of uh

2073

01:23:41,630 --> 01:23:39,060

it's all Consciousness and uh that

2074

01:23:44,630 --> 01:23:41,640

these are expressions of Consciousness

2075

01:23:47,149 --> 01:23:44,640

these are individuated uh sort of

2076

01:23:47,870 --> 01:23:47,159

conscious agents to use uh Hoffman's

2077

01:23:49,310 --> 01:23:47,880

term

2078

01:23:52,910 --> 01:23:49,320

uh

2079

01:23:55,189 --> 01:23:52,920

that gives me a little bit you know more

2080

01:23:57,050 --> 01:23:55,199

peace with with the notion that you just

2081

01:23:59,209 --> 01:23:57,060

described that you know we may have to

2082

01:24:01,550 --> 01:23:59,219

wipe the Slate

2083

01:24:03,130 --> 01:24:01,560

um but but the journey itself isn't over

2084

01:24:05,350 --> 01:24:03,140

and

2085

01:24:07,910 --> 01:24:05,360

there has to be

2086

01:24:10,250 --> 01:24:07,920

there there and I guess this sort of

2087

01:24:12,709 --> 01:24:10,260

points to me to be some sort of

2088

01:24:15,250 --> 01:24:12,719

Arc of moral development in a way as

2089

01:24:18,169 --> 01:24:15,260

well like there has to be sort of stakes

2090

01:24:20,570 --> 01:24:18,179

uh in the in the game there has to be

2091

01:24:24,050 --> 01:24:20,580

something at stake in order for

2092

01:24:26,090 --> 01:24:24,060

development to occur and

2093

01:24:29,390 --> 01:24:26,100

um

2094

01:24:31,189 --> 01:24:29,400

life in all of its expressions in in its

2095

01:24:33,410 --> 01:24:31,199

joy and its pain like it creates those

2096

01:24:37,610 --> 01:24:33,420

conditions whereby which

2097

01:24:39,350 --> 01:24:37,620

growth can can happen and so

2098

01:24:41,270 --> 01:24:39,360

you know it's it's an incredibly

2099

01:24:43,910 --> 01:24:41,280

elaborate uh

2100

01:24:46,790 --> 01:24:43,920

um construct in a way I mean it's it's

2101
01:24:48,590 --> 01:24:46,800
like the the richness and vastness of

2102
01:24:51,890 --> 01:24:48,600
this tapestry of life

2103
01:24:55,790 --> 01:24:51,900
that that we experience is is quite

2104
01:24:58,550 --> 01:24:55,800
incredible in service of this goal

2105
01:24:59,930 --> 01:24:58,560
knowing that it could be just like an

2106
01:25:02,450 --> 01:24:59,940
Etch A Sketch you could shake it up and

2107
01:25:05,750 --> 01:25:02,460
it would be gone you know to do it all

2108
01:25:08,570 --> 01:25:05,760
over again uh like that's

2109
01:25:11,209 --> 01:25:08,580
pretty incredible uh and it may actually

2110
01:25:12,229 --> 01:25:11,219
kind of hint toward the

2111
01:25:15,590 --> 01:25:12,239
um

2112
01:25:16,790 --> 01:25:15,600
the magnitude of the importance of the

2113
01:25:19,010 --> 01:25:16,800

end state

2114

01:25:21,530 --> 01:25:19,020

that we're trying to achieve here that

2115

01:25:25,490 --> 01:25:21,540

that that the Consciousness will go to

2116

01:25:26,630 --> 01:25:25,500

any length in any depth any breadth to

2117

01:25:28,669 --> 01:25:26,640

get to

2118

01:25:32,090 --> 01:25:28,679

a better end state

2119

01:25:34,130 --> 01:25:32,100

uh if if one can be achieved

2120

01:25:35,209 --> 01:25:34,140

yeah it's a good point and really comes

2121

01:25:38,450 --> 01:25:35,219

down to

2122

01:25:41,270 --> 01:25:38,460

ever expanding uh spheres where you have

2123

01:25:43,970 --> 01:25:41,280

skin in the game right so it begins with

2124

01:25:46,189 --> 01:25:43,980

your your own self uh or how you

2125

01:25:47,930 --> 01:25:46,199

understand yourself anyway and then your

2126
01:25:53,689 --> 01:25:47,940
family then your tribe then your nation

2127
01:25:58,010 --> 01:25:56,510
yeah I think that what's fascinating is

2128
01:26:00,709 --> 01:25:58,020
what we're discussing here is kind of

2129
01:26:04,550 --> 01:26:00,719
this notion where the original undivided

2130
01:26:08,510 --> 01:26:06,709
again to use a Bernardo Castro kind of

2131
01:26:10,790 --> 01:26:08,520
description

2132
01:26:13,610 --> 01:26:10,800
divided into these

2133
01:26:15,290 --> 01:26:13,620
Alters right these disassociations of

2134
01:26:17,629 --> 01:26:15,300
itself that

2135
01:26:19,370 --> 01:26:17,639
the reason why telepathy and and

2136
01:26:20,930 --> 01:26:19,380
precognition

2137
01:26:23,510 --> 01:26:20,940
and the fact that these others can get

2138
01:26:25,490 --> 01:26:23,520

into our heads and determine what we do

2139

01:26:27,830 --> 01:26:25,500

the reason why all that's possible is

2140

01:26:31,070 --> 01:26:27,840

because we actually are all part of the

2141

01:26:33,410 --> 01:26:31,080

same substrate of Consciousness the mind

2142

01:26:34,850 --> 01:26:33,420

of God if you will if you can handle the

2143

01:26:36,590 --> 01:26:34,860

baggage or at least put the baggage

2144

01:26:38,149 --> 01:26:36,600

aside for a while

2145

01:26:41,750 --> 01:26:38,159

um

2146

01:26:42,709 --> 01:26:41,760

and that you have these iterations over

2147

01:26:45,910 --> 01:26:42,719

time

2148

01:26:47,930 --> 01:26:45,920

where the the God had basically

2149

01:26:49,310 --> 01:26:47,940

subdivides into these units of

2150

01:26:51,890 --> 01:26:49,320

consciousness

2151
01:26:54,530 --> 01:26:51,900
and then does this for the sake of

2152
01:26:57,649 --> 01:26:54,540
experiencing reality all over again in a

2153
01:26:59,450 --> 01:26:57,659
novel way which then creates unique

2154
01:27:01,970 --> 01:26:59,460
experience which gets and lessons

2155
01:27:03,790 --> 01:27:01,980
learned that get contributed back to the

2156
01:27:06,830 --> 01:27:03,800
the totality right

2157
01:27:09,169 --> 01:27:06,840
I think one aspect that I've experienced

2158
01:27:13,910 --> 01:27:09,179
in some of my altered state of

2159
01:27:19,490 --> 01:27:17,149
even who I am becomes much deeper and

2160
01:27:23,030 --> 01:27:19,500
broader and I find myself experiencing

2161
01:27:25,129 --> 01:27:23,040
reality as a kind of plurality of beings

2162
01:27:26,930 --> 01:27:25,139
that I no longer have this hard line

2163
01:27:29,629 --> 01:27:26,940

between who I am and who these others

2164

01:27:32,689 --> 01:27:29,639

are that there's actually this

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01:27:34,370 --> 01:27:32,699

notion of a plurality and it's very hard

2166

01:27:36,050 --> 01:27:34,380

to describe because it's hard to I think

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01:27:38,090 --> 01:27:36,060

people to even conceive of but when you

2168

01:27:39,470 --> 01:27:38,100

experience it it feels completely normal

2169

01:27:42,189 --> 01:27:39,480

that's what's strange about it and then

2170

01:27:45,830 --> 01:27:42,199

you come back into this very finite

2171

01:27:47,810 --> 01:27:45,840

construct of a body mind and it feels

2172

01:27:49,910 --> 01:27:47,820

actually very limiting in comparison to

2173

01:27:51,649 --> 01:27:49,920

that so so much of this is relative to

2174

01:27:52,790 --> 01:27:51,659

what we're familiar with

2175

01:27:55,370 --> 01:27:52,800

um

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01:27:56,930 --> 01:27:55,380

but yeah I think that this is what it

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01:27:58,189 --> 01:27:56,940

really gets down to and I think the

2178

01:28:00,169 --> 01:27:58,199

reason why I would even say to people

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01:28:01,370 --> 01:28:00,179

you know because some people will say to

2180

01:28:03,410 --> 01:28:01,380

me

2181

01:28:04,910 --> 01:28:03,420

well how do you know that aliens care

2182

01:28:06,770 --> 01:28:04,920

about us you know why why would they

2183

01:28:07,790 --> 01:28:06,780

care about us you know what what makes

2184

01:28:09,590 --> 01:28:07,800

you assume that that sounds

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01:28:11,450 --> 01:28:09,600

anthropocentric or something

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01:28:12,350 --> 01:28:11,460

and what we're saying with this model is

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01:28:14,870 --> 01:28:12,360

that

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01:28:17,270 --> 01:28:14,880

Consciousness is fundamental

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01:28:19,250 --> 01:28:17,280

human consciousness is derivative of

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01:28:22,070 --> 01:28:19,260

something deeper something that is

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01:28:24,950 --> 01:28:22,080

common to all consciousnesses across the

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01:28:28,010 --> 01:28:24,960

cosmos because ultimately those are all

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to some degree relative experiences of

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individuality but are ultimately part of

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this original

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connected Consciousness that ultimately

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01:28:38,750 --> 01:28:36,360

comes down to one Consciousness right

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01:28:41,990 --> 01:28:38,760

and again what's fascinating is even

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Hoffman's equations show this right you

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can

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01:28:51,350 --> 01:28:49,380

have two people and they are two

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01:28:53,090 --> 01:28:51,360

conscious agents but even in the math

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01:28:54,649 --> 01:28:53,100

you can also describe their new

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01:28:57,050 --> 01:28:54,659

interaction and lessons they learn

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01:28:59,270 --> 01:28:57,060

together as a new conscious agent right

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01:29:01,850 --> 01:28:59,280

in the math that works and you can scale

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01:29:04,430 --> 01:29:01,860

that all the way up to all of the

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01:29:07,610 --> 01:29:04,440

sentient beings in the cosmos becoming

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01:29:09,590 --> 01:29:07,620

one ultimate conscious agent which again

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01:29:10,689 --> 01:29:09,600

sounds a lot like the mind of God sounds

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01:29:15,229 --> 01:29:10,699

a lot like

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01:29:18,770 --> 01:29:15,239

the lessons of ancient spiritual

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01:29:21,110 --> 01:29:18,780

Traditions sounds like idealism but

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01:29:23,149 --> 01:29:21,120

again what's fascinating is we're seeing

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01:29:25,310 --> 01:29:23,159

evidence pointing in this direction as

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01:29:28,850 --> 01:29:25,320

much from science as we are from you

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01:29:33,770 --> 01:29:31,610

and and the role of high strangeness

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01:29:36,410 --> 01:29:33,780

then is to

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01:29:38,570 --> 01:29:36,420

function as a kind of

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01:29:40,490 --> 01:29:38,580

uh disrupter

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01:29:44,209 --> 01:29:40,500

and a teacher

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01:29:45,410 --> 01:29:44,219

in a way pointing at this deeper

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01:29:48,830 --> 01:29:45,420

state

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01:29:52,550 --> 01:29:48,840

that it's uh it's a cold water if you

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01:29:56,030 --> 01:29:52,560

will to kind of wake you up from from a

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01:29:58,850 --> 01:29:56,040

way of being that

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01:30:01,610 --> 01:29:58,860

that in some ways is uh is like a cloud

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01:30:03,669 --> 01:30:01,620

it's it's a it's it's it's a veil that

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you've kept over yourself to not to

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01:30:07,729 --> 01:30:06,120

keeping you away from this deep deeper

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01:30:10,910 --> 01:30:07,739

truth

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01:30:14,330 --> 01:30:10,920

um so in this way we should celebrate

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01:30:16,790 --> 01:30:14,340

the high strangeness that that we

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01:30:18,590 --> 01:30:16,800

encounter we should

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01:30:20,930 --> 01:30:18,600

um

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01:30:22,669 --> 01:30:20,940

look at how it can be incorporated in

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01:30:24,830 --> 01:30:22,679

our experience we should we should

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01:30:27,669 --> 01:30:24,840

listen to others experiences of high

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01:30:30,110 --> 01:30:27,679

strangeness and and think about how that

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impacted their lives as the individual

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how it thus impacts our lives in

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relationship with them and and then the

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new meaning which emerges from that

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01:30:44,209 --> 01:30:41,340

relationship Dynamic uh between our

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personal story their story and the story

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that emerges between the two

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uh these are the the sort of things that

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begin to happen when you look at the

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world

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in this way in this non-dual way and you

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01:31:02,689 --> 01:31:00,060

you come to find

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01:31:05,629 --> 01:31:02,699

all of these opportunities as as as

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01:31:09,050 --> 01:31:05,639

bizarre and strange as they may be to

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01:31:10,970 --> 01:31:09,060

celebrate uh conscious expression in all

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01:31:11,689 --> 01:31:10,980

its forms

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01:31:14,149 --> 01:31:11,699

um

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01:31:16,129 --> 01:31:14,159

even the ones that are disturbing and

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01:31:18,649 --> 01:31:16,139

and frightening because you because

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01:31:20,810 --> 01:31:18,659

you're now situating these things in a

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totally different Paradigm you're not

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situating them as adversarial you're

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situating them as beneficial to your

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growth and development to your expanding

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awareness of how things really are

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yeah and to to use that analogy

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you know we understand that toddlers

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will get feisty and throw tantrums and

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think that everything belongs to them

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and they go through stages where they

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they think everyone should make

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decisions and act according to what they

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want right

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really at the at the bottom of it evil

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really is more about immaturity of

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Consciousness right that if everything

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ultimately is this undivided substrate

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of Consciousness then

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not only am I no different than you

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01:32:08,930 --> 01:32:06,300

ultimately

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only relatively are we different but so

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too are the the abducting aliens who are

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conducting experiments on people right

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they they too are going through that

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01:32:21,590 --> 01:32:18,719

experience of going through many

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lifetimes and learning

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01:32:25,729 --> 01:32:23,940

sometimes the hard way but inevitably

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learning that we are all connected and

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to harm someone else is to harm yourself

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so

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01:32:33,530 --> 01:32:31,320

again I think of the spirit of science

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01:32:35,930 --> 01:32:33,540

where where it says that

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01:32:36,709 --> 01:32:35,940

the great thing about reality is that it

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will

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do what it does regardless of how you

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01:32:43,610 --> 01:32:41,880

feel about it right and so the scientist

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who really Embraces the spirit of

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01:32:48,229 --> 01:32:45,719

science says listen if weird things

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01:32:50,450 --> 01:32:48,239

happen that show me that my hypothesis

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about reality is wrong I should embrace

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that because that's the great thing

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01:32:57,169 --> 01:32:54,900

about reality it tells me what really is

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01:33:00,470 --> 01:32:57,179

regardless of what I think about what

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really is and so hopefully eventually

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High strangeness will be the next level

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of data that begins to unravel our

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current Notions of of reality and not

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only give us new ones but again

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hopefully bring meaning and purpose back

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into lives which could hopefully

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transform human civilization altogether

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all worth celebrating well it's been a

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wonderful conversation uh this evening

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01:33:29,450 --> 01:33:27,960

thank you for uh having this with me and

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exploring the Contours of high

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strangeness together and I know we'll

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continue to do so in the podcasts ahead

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so as we close

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this episode of liminal frames we thank

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you for for listening

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and uh and for your comments and shares

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it means a lot to us we do read all of

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them and look forward to continuing the

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conversation with all of you as well

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May the quality of our questions shaped

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by a desire for understanding enhance

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our journey of discovery

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and may our travels broaden the sphere

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of our Consciousness reminding us that

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new discoveries beget New Horizons

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as always

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Adventure awaits we'll see you next time

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